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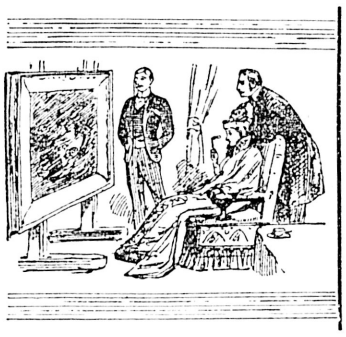

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Smaller by Degrees.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28.—(Special)—It is reported that Lieutenant-Governor Chapleau has abandoned his proposed trip to Europe and that he will accept the editorship of La Presse of this city next month.

The Halifax Station.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28. —(Special)— The naval authorities have received word of another powerful warship that is to be added to the North American squadron in the spring. Another regiment will be placed on this station this summer. It will probably be a Scotch regiment.

Halifax Heard From.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—It is said that Halifax may soon have a line of steamers to the Klondyke. The mission to England of Capt. Jas. Farquaharson, who left here several weeks ago, is believed to be connected with the scheme. It is said that he goes with instructions to look up suitable steamers and has authority to purchase.

MR. SIFTON'S MISSION.

Secretary Alger Too Ill to Discuss Arrangements About Yukon and Alaska.

Klondyke Grievances Coming Before the Government—Relief Supplies Advertised For.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—In official circles it is said that Mr. Sifton's visit to Washington is merely one of courtesy, due to the fact that General Alger, who was coming to Ottawa, is in poor health. Whatever opinion he forms he must communicate it to his colleagues for approval as the settled policy of the government. While desirous of according the trade of the Coast cities full protection, yet the government is anxious to work harmoniously with the United States.

In regard to bonding through Yukon of American goods destined for Alaska, the customs department has notified the Washington authorities that so soon as reliable transportation companies are formed, which must be in the near future, the government will accept a bond from such companies for proper transportation of dutiable goods through Canadian territory. Until that time, however, the government does not consider it practicable for a Canadian officer to accompany all American goods through Canadian territory, the distance being so great. Therefore it is proposed to collect the duty at Tagish, and when the goods pass out of Canada at Cudahy the amount will be refunded by the collector there on presentation of the receipt given at Tagish.

The government was notified to-day that a deputation of Yukon miners are en route to Ottawa to protest against the present unjust mining laws. They will interview Premier Laurier and his colleagues next Wednesday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The expected conference between Secretary Alger and Minister Sifton did not take place to-day. Secretary Alger had overrated his strength and found that he was not sufficiently recovered to undertake the work of arranging details for the relief expeditions. The Canadian visitors are to remain in Washington for a few days, however, so that the conference is merely postponed for a short time.

Captain Brainerd has been authorized to issue to-morrow the advertisement for the supplies that are to be carried by the relief expeditions.

HIGH JINKS IN THE PEN.

Convicts at St. Vincent de Paul Unite in Defying Their Keepers.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28.—(Special—The convicts at St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary are still in open revolt. Last night, for the third night running, they created pandemonium by clamorous shouts and blasphemy. Work in the shops is suspended. Acting Warden Foster, it is stated, is openly insulted by the more desperate convicts.

THE "VANDOO" HOODOOED.

Extraordinary Series of Fatalities Happen to a Yarmouth Crew.

HALIFAX, Dec. 28.—(Special)—A cable from Bermuda says the Yarmouth ship Vandoo has just put in there with the loss of her yards, and reports that on the 20th instant three of her crew were killed by the falling yards, and three others who jumped overboard in the hope of escaping injury from the fall, were all drowned. Three more were seriously injured. The day before these accidents one man was killed by falling from aloft to the deck. The Vandoo was on a voyage from Cardiff to St. John, N.B.

THE GOLDEN CACHE.

The Company Said to Have Been Deceived by Free Gold in Pockets.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28.—(Special)—Mr. Skene the vice-president of the Golden Cache was seen to-day by a COLONIST reporter regarding the rumor that Golden Cache was being manipulated. Mr. Skene said: "The 30 day test, the result of which has just been given, is, as far as it goes a fair test. The fact of the matter is that the company have been deceived by the visible free gold which showed abundantly in pockets through the ore and apart from the visible gold the ore was low grade."

From another source it was learned that five tons of this pockety ore was put through and cleaned up some $215 a ton or one-third of what the entire 750 tons went. Without the pockety ore some $3.10 a ton was obtained.

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FORTNIGHTLY TO AUSTRALIA.

The Mail Service to Be So Arranged From Vancouver and San Francisco.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—The Premier of New Zealand has cabled the Postmaster-General to-day that the New Zealand legislature having passed the mail subsidy bill, the alternate services to Vancouver and San Francisco will commence on the 8th proximo. Hitherto the steamers carrying the mails from San Francisco have sailed sometimes within a day or so of the Vancouver steamers, but under the new arrangements made by the New Zealand government the San Francisco mails must be carried at dates intermediate with those of the Vancouver mails, so that from Canada and the United States the result will be a fortnightly mail. The first mail under the new arrangements will leave Vancouver on February 10.

A VENTURE IN LUMBER.

Five Million Feet to Be Rafted from Portland to San Francisco.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 28.—Within the next few months a raft containing 5,000,000 feet of lumber will be constructed in this city and towed to San Francisco by the firm of Inman and Poulson, owners of a large lumber interest here. The raft will be 356 feet long and 53 feet wide. Several rafts of piling have been towed from the Columbia river to San Francisco, but traffic in sawed lumber is a new undertaking.

PECULIAR HOMICIDE CASE.

The Victim Refuses Evidence in Gratitude for Past Favors.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—John Healy died to-day in a hospital from the effects of stab wounds inflicted by George H. Lincoln. The circumstances of the homicide are peculiar and only became known to-day. Healy had been out of work for some time. Lincoln, who is married, befriended him and the two men were the best of friends. On Christmas day Lincoln entered his home intoxicated and threatened to strike his wife. Healy pleaded for her and the woman ran into another room. When she returned, after hearing sounds of a struggle, she found Healy covered with blood. Her husband had gone to the hospital. Lincoln, who was only slightly stabbed, was arrested on his way to the hospital and brought to Healy's bedside. Healy positively denied that he had ever seen Lincoln, and he died to-day, refusing to implicate the man who had befriended him. Lincoln was remanded to await the action of the coroner's jury. He will probably be charged with homicide.

BETWEEN TWO WILLS.

A Rich American Bungled Both So That Neither May Be Valid.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Dr. Rudolph Evans, the only surviving brother of the late Dr. Thomas W. Evans, the famous American dentist, who died in Paris on November 14, arrived here yesterday with his wife and son. It is learned from reliable sources that the original will of Dr. Evans, drawn up by Mr. Arthur E. Valois, of New York, the attorney of deceased, was so badly copied by Dr. Evans, who also amended it and added several codicils, that it is very doubtful if it is legal.

It also appears that Dr. Evans made two wills, one for the United States, and another for France, which was sworn by the translator, who demands 35,000 for the translation, and having found the differences in the two wills, he refused to deliver until both are probated here. The United States consul, however, insists that the wills be handed to him for verification. This adds to the complications.

Mr. Evans who, if his brother died intestate, is entitled to half the fortune of deceased, which after all only amounts to exactly $4,000,000, only received $10,000, therefore he is determined to fight the will.

Boycotting Shipbuilders.

GLASGOW, Dec. 28.—A newspaper of this city says the Employers' Federation is considering the question of boycotting Harlan & Wolff, the shipbuilders who refused to join the federation. The federated employers propose not to deal with firms furnishing materials to Harlan & Wolff.

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SUSPENSION OF MAILS.

Many Thousand Letters Now Stalled Half Way.

Why No Royalty Has Yet Been Collected—Pay Creeks for Everybody—Description of the Life at Dawson.

Newspapers sold at Dawson for $1.50 each last September, and a man who carried in an armful of New York, Chicago, San Francisco and Victoria publications, several weeks older than they might have been, made quick profit on arrival by selling them on sight at that figure. "I would willingly have paid that price for a copy of the COLONIST," said Mr. Richard Shaw yesterday, "but the carrier had none left when I saw him. Dawson has been completely cut off from the news of the world. Newspapers are refused transmission in the mails and the letters taken by the Mounted Police from the coast have got no further than Little Salmon, where there were 1,000 pounds of them when I passed out. I am told that more than a dozen letters have been sent to me from home, but I did not receive one. No letters have been received since the last trip of the United States mail carrier from Juneau, and no mail has been sent out over the ice."

The average letter weighs less than half an ounce, so that if Mr. Shaw's statement as to the weight of the correspondence stalled at Little Salmon is correct, there are about 30,000 letters there.

The isolation from the world resulting from this failure to maintain mail communication Mr. Shaw considers one of the most trying features of life in the far North. The cold of winter, spoken of most prominently in the list of Yukon privations, causes less actual suffering than do the mosquitoes, the plague of the summer months, and though the average day was about 32 degrees below zero for some time before Mr. Shaw left, and the thermometer had registered as low as 70, outdoor work had been regularly carried on with few cases of serious frost-bites.

Speaking of the recent reduction in wages from $1.50 to $1 per hour, which latter figure leaves a very small margin for the thrifty workman to save to bring out with him, Mr. Shaw says:

"Those who don't want to work for wages can prospect for themselves. There is plenty of promising ground unoccupied, and there will be, too, after the tens of thousands expected to arrive in the spring appear on the scene. There are hundreds of creeks not yet touched that ought to be just as good as those now being worked. The locations now extend perhaps forty miles from Dawson City, for distances soon become great when each mile takes in but ten claims. But it puzzles me how the coming host can possibly get in their provisions.

"I left because it appeared that I might have to go hungry before spring if I stayed. I do not believe that there will be any actual starvation, but it seems impossible to avoid a shortage of provisions. When the Mounted Police cannot as they say get in even the letters, how are they going to manage tons of provisions? That is how hundreds of those who have come out have argued. There are some provisions yet in the stores, held back for emergencies, but they have run out of flour. I know what I am talking about, because I worked at the "A.C." store until it was closed. My partners McNeill and Daley—who remained, with just enough provisions—are working at mining.

"Hunker creek is the latest to which there has been any 'stampede,' and is as good as any except Eldorado. Nothing else has been discovered in the Klondyke that compares with Eldorado. I heard of no rich strikes on Quartz creek, and the man who tells of excitement about that locality must have claims to sell.

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JAPAN SCENTS A WAR.

Her Navy Sent Out Fully Equipped and Ready for a Battle to Begin.

New Ministry to Be Formed to Deal Vigorously With the Chinese Situation.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A special despatch from Shanghai dated yesterday says: "It is reported that Japanese war vessels are waiting near Goto island, outside Nagasaki, fully equipped for war and only awaiting instructions. This includes the Inashima and Fuji, two of the finest vessels in the Japanese navy, and the Chen Yuen, which was captured from China. The Japanese fleet, it is understood, is acting in close touch with the British squadron under vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, commander-in-chief of the China station.

Japan will certainly oppose a permanent occupation by Russia of Port Arthur. The sudden dissolution of the Japanese diet was due to the war spirit. It is expected that the Japanese fleet will attempt to prevent the landing of reinforcements from Odessa for the protection of the Russian trans-Asiatic railway in Manchuria.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A despatch to the Times from Kobe, Japan, says the dissolution of the diet has greatly angered the political parties. It is probable that the Marquis Ito, former premier, and Count Okuma, a former foreign minister, will form a coalition ministry with a vigorous foreign policy. The military party is eager for action. Extraordinary activity prevails at the military and naval departments and warships are assembling at Nagasaki.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28—The Japanese minister has not yet been advised of the resignation of the entire cabinet and he feels that though the resignations may have been tendered, the emperor will not accept them until it becomes apparent that an entirely new cabinet under Marquis Ito can be formed. Ito has been in private life much of the time since his notable achievement during the Chinese-Japanese war and it is not believed he is ready to return to the cabinet. He is strong, however, with all parties and has people behind him so that he may again assume the premiership if the emergencies demand it.

The Yokohama despatch refers to Marquis Saigo as the present premier, which is said at the legation to be an inaccuracy, as Marquis Matsugato has been premier up to this time, with Marquis Saigo as minister of marine. The reference in the despatch to the public sentiment in Japan for a strong ministry, capable of coping with the situation in the East, is one of the first intimations direct from Japan that she may take a hand in the controversy centering in China. While he has received no official advices as to the purposes of his government, Mr. Hoshi expresses the personal conviction that Japan will not be quick to enter into the controversy, but will maintain an independent and neutral attitude for the present, at least.

VIENNA, Dec. 28.—The News Wiener publishes an interview with Sir Charles Dilke, who is considered a high authority on foreign affairs. He says that the situation in Eastern Asia is very threatening and that he knows for certain that Japan is making warlike preparations with great activity. That country seems to project an attack on China or Korea. Sir Charles declares that he has no faith in Japan's pacific professions. He reminded the interviewer that Great Britain occupied Port Hamilton in 1885 and 1887, and said that the British need a naval station in North China.

ODESSA, Dec. 28.—It is reported that two first-class cruisers, with a large number of extra marines, have been ordered to join the Russian squadron in Chinese waters.

THE BRITISH FLEET.

List of the Ships Now in Chinese Waters Ready for Action.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The British fleet now stationed in Chinese waters under command of Sir Alexander Buller and Rear Admiral Oxley, embraces the following vessels:

First-class battleship Centurion (flagship), 14 guns; tonnage, 10,500.

First-class cruisers (second flagship) Grafton, 12 guns, 7,350 tons; Immortalite, 12 guns, 5,600 tons; Narcissus, 12 guns, 5,600 tons; Undaunted, 12 guns, 5,600 tons.

First-class gunboats Peacock, 6 guns, 755 tons; Plover, Pigmy, with 6 guns, 755 tons each; Rattler, 6 guns, 715 tons; Redbreast, Redpole, 6 guns, 805 tons each.

Second-class cruisers Aelous, Rainbow and Pique, 8 guns, 3,600 tons each.

Third-class cruisers Archer and Porpoise, 6 guns, 1,770 tons each.

Second-class gunboats Firebrand, 4 guns, 445 tons; Linnet, 2 guns, 756 tons; Spartan, 8 guns, 1,600 tons; Swift, 2 guns, 756 tons.

Sloops Daphne, eight guns, 1,140 tons; Wild Swan, eight guns, 1,130 tons.

Torpedo destroyers Hindy, six guns, 260 tons; Hart, six guns, 260 tons.

Despatch boat Alacrity, four guns, 1,700 tons; and the storeboat Humber, 1,610 tons.

RUSSIA'S SEIZURE IN KOREA

In Violation of Her Treaty With Japan—Appropriated the Revenues.

TACOMA, Dec. 28.—A copy of the peculiar and remarkable contract under which Russia seized the Korean finances and customs and thereby forced out McLeavy Brown, the representative of English interests recently, and which so offended England that the British Pacific squadron has been despatched to Chemulpo, near Seoul, the capital of Korea, has been received here.

Translation reveals the fact that Russia not only seized the finances and customs of Korea, but proposed to hold forever the same, notwithstanding that in her treaty with Japan, after the China-Japanese war, she specifically agreed to join with Japan in maintaining the independence of Korea, and not to do any act that would jeopardize Japan's influence there.

Japan has thus far observed the Russo-Japanese treaty regarding Korea, but in the above contract Russia has not only offended Japan, but aroused England. McLeavy Brown, however, refused to accept his dismissal and returned his discharge to the Emperor of Korea. He appealed to the British consul and the latter reported the situation to England.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Semi-Official Investigation of the School System—Mild Weather in the Territories.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 28.—(Special)—C. H. Beauchene, one of the editors of La Patrie, Montreal, is here. Mr. Beauchene is in the West for the purpose of looking into the educational system of Manitoba in the interest of the Laurier government, and after a short stay in the province will proceed into the Territories.

The weather all the way from the Rocky Mountains to Winnipeg has been exceptionally mild to-day. The lowest registered by the thermometer all along the line was zero, while at Medicine Hat yesterday the mercury went up to 73 degrees above.

There is great demand here for dogs for the Yukon. Agents are now securing them at the Indian posts on Lake Winnipeg.

Col. Ruttan, city engineer, left to-day for Montreal. He will visit a number of the cities for the purpose of inspecting methods of disposing of garbage, with a view to obtaining information for the guidance of the city fathers in adopting a system here,

C.P.R. PROFITS.

An Increase of More Than Two Millions for the Year.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28 — (Special) — In November, 1897, the gross earnings of the C.P.R. were $2,540,451; working expenses, $1,350,718; net profits, $1,189,733. In November, 1896, the net profits were $862,148.

For the eleven months ending November 30, 1897, the figures are: Gross earnings, $21,726,792; working expenses, $12,476,471; net profits, $9,250,321. For the eleven months ending November 30, 1896, there were net profits of $7,183,149. The increase in net profits over the same period last year is, therefore, for November $327,584; and from January 1 to November 30, $2,067,172.

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERIES.

French Government Anxious to Keep the Trans-Atlantic Steamers Away From Them.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—It is estimated that the time of the passage of the vessels of the Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique, plying between Havre and New York, will be lengthened by three hours by the action of the company in agreeing to the request of M. Boucher, minister of commerce and industry, that the steamers of that line shall not cross the banks of Newfoundland during the fishing season, which extends from April to November. M. Hanotaux, minister of foreign affairs, will try to arrange for the holding of an international congress to procure a similar undertaking for all the foreign steamship companies.

THE RACE FOR AFRICA.

Natives Rejoice at British Success in Competition With the French.

LAGOS, West Coast of Africa, Dec. 28.—Ilesha and Berehara, important Barilli towns, have been occupied by the Lagos Hausas. The inhabitants are enthusiastic over the presence of the British flag, as they feared an attack from French native troops who are endeavoring to force themselves on the Barrilla country and are devastating it.

THE PANAMA CANAL

Company Hope That the United States Will Eventually Accept Their Scheme.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—At the half-yearly meeting of the Panama canal company to-day a report was read holding out the prospect of some definite scheme being submitted toward the end of next year. The report mentions the United States Nicaraguan commission and promises full facilities and a hearty welcome to the commissioners when they visit the Panama works. It expresses the conviction that the United States congress and people will eventually accept the Panama scheme.

INDIAN REBELS HUMBLED.

British Report That the Disorderly Tribesmen Have Had Enough of Fighting.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—A despatch from Peshawur says: "The British columns have returned from Khyber Pass, after punishing, with slight opposition, the Kakka-Khels in the Bazaar valley. Military operations on the frontier are now concluded. Every Afridi and Orakzai village has been visited.

It now appears that the enemy's losses have been more severe than was at first believed and out of all proportion to their possible fighting strength. Their trade with our centres for the necessaries of life has been closed and their autumn tillage prevented. The submission of the Orakzais is now completed. Many hitherto unknown strategetical frontier routes have been surveyed and mapped out.

The vaunted prestige of the Afridis has been lowered and their punishment has paved the way for the permanent settlement of the country. It is firmly believed that, cut off from India, and threatened with a re-invasion of their country in the spring, they will now submit. It is also expected that internal friction resulting from the operations will prove almost as severe a punishment as the operations themselves.

Surprised at Russia.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Times says that at the last meeting of the ambassadors of the powers the Russian representative created surprise by proposing Prince George of Greece as governor of Crete. The proposal was coldly received.

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KNOCKOUT BY MINISTERS.

Those of Buffalo Secure a Decision Against Glove Contests.

BUFFALO, Dec. 28. — Justice John Woodward this afternoon gave his decision in the proceedings instituted by Rev. Byron H. Starrer and other ministers to stop glove contests in this city. The decision is a victory for the ministers so far as it sustains their contention that the tickets for local prize fighting were sold without actual regard to club membership. An appeal will be taken from Justice Woodward's decision.

VENEZUELA FORGIVES ALL.

Diplomatic and Trade Relations With Great Britain Cordially Renewed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Mail advices from Caracas, Venezuela, report that the official reception by the government of Venezuela of Mr. William Henry Doveton Haggart, accredited as minister resident of the British government to Venezuela, took place at Caracas on December 11. The resumption of diplomatic relations means a resumption of commercial add trade relations between England and Venezuela. Pledges of mutual confidence were exchanged between Minister Haggart and President Crespo and there is every indication that the former friendship that existed between the two countries has once more been fairly established. At 4 p.m. the carriage of the President, which had been sent for Mr. Haggart, arrived at the federal palace, and the minister was driven between a double line of troops, who saluted his arrival, while the national band played "God Save the Queen."

FITZSIMMONS IN THE RING.

By His Wife's Permission He Will Meet Any First-Class Fighter Offering.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Martin Julian today made the following signed statement: "Fitzsimmons will defend his right to the title of champion. Mrs. Fitzsimmons has released him from his promise of retirement." Referring to the conditions on which Fitzsimmons will fight Corbett and McCoy, Julian's statement says:

"The conditions are as follows: Let Corbett beat a man like Maher or Choynski and establish his right as a member of Bob's class; let McCoy beat his way up to a commanding position and come along with his challenge afterwards; but first McCoy must fight a fit opponent at the middleweight limit, and not at catch weights."

The statement concludes as follows: "I am not going to allow Mr. Fitzsimmons to accept offers from inferior men. When the proper time comes Fitzsimmons will meet them all one after the other in the same ring."

SOMETHING BIG COMING.

Klondyke Scheme on a Mammoth Scale by American and British Capitalists.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—J. Bruce Ismael, of the White Star Line, announced yesterday that H. M. Kersey, the American agent of the line, decided two months ago to resign and would cease to represent the company on Friday. Mr. Kersey will be associated with a syndicate of American and British capitalists in the Klondyke scheme on an unprecedented scale.

THE RELIEF ARRANGEMENTS.

Canada Will Permit the Passage of the United States Military Party.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Upon the advice of the Canadians now here it appears likely that Skaway will be chosen instead of Dyea as the terminal point of the relief expeditions. The reason for this choice is said to be the fact that Skaway has wharves at which ships can discharge cargoes directly, while at Dyea there are nothing but lighters to land the goods. Mr. Sifton said to-night that he hoped to conclude his visit within the next two days, and there was no doubt that the two governments could make arrangements which would be mutually beneficial in extending relief to the Klondykers.

The minister's attention was called to reports that Canada might not be willing to co-operate in the use of the military arrangement of the government as provided by the bill which recently became law. He said, however, that he apprehended no difficulty in that direction, as the only purpose of the two governments was to effect the relief in the most feasible way possible.

There appears to be no desire on the part of the Canadian officials to interpose any technical obstacles to the execution of relief measures, and for this reason it is expected a satisfactory arrangement will be reached within the next two days.

A PERSONAL ITEM.

MRS. WM. HAMBLY, Belleville, Ont., says: "My husband was troubled with kidney complaint, rheumatism, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, etc., and could not get relief until I got a box of DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS for him. He has now used four boxes in all and is perfectly cured.

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At the Seals Again.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Col. John Hay, the American ambassador, had a conference to-day with Sir Thomas Sanderson, the permanent secretary of the foreign office, on the sealing question. The Marquis of Salisbury was absent.

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F. ELWORTHY — Balance-sheets prepared, accounts audited, general agencies taken. Office, Board of Trade Building. au30-tf

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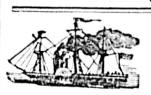

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THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—At the request of a number of citizens I have the honor to announce that I shall be a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor at the election to be held next January, and respectfully solicit your votes and support.

CHAS. E. REDFERN.

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THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers to offer myself as candidate for Mayor at the ensuing Municipal Election, I have much pleasure in complying with their request, and I now most respectfully solicit the votes and influence of the electors of the municipality to secure my election

Previous to the date of election, I will, by public notice, call you together to place before you my views in municipal matters.

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

December 23rd, 1897.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor in Council directs that the following Rules, framed under the authority of the "County Courts Act" shall come into force from the 24th day of December, 1897.

By Command,
JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

1. There shall be a vacation in the County Courts of Victoria, Nanaimo, New Westminster and Vancouver from the 24th day of December, 1897, to the 3rd day of January, 1898 both days inclusive, during which vacation, subject to the further provisions hereinafter contained, no cause shall be tried.

2. Nothing in these rules shall interfere with the issue or service of ordinary default or judgment summonses, or garnishee proceedings, or with proceedings for obtaining judgment or default summonses.

3. Nothing in these rules shall interfere with any criminal proceedings.

4. During said vacation the office hours of the offices of the Court shall be in accordance with Rule 693, "Supreme Court Rules, 1890."

5. These rules may be cited as the "County Courts (Christmas) Vacation Rules, 1897."

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CHRISTMAS TREATS.

A Little Behind the Holiday, But Still Decidedly Popular With the Little Folks.

A six o'clock tea, followed by the distribution of prizes, and later by an entertainment, formed an excellent bill of fare for the annual Christmas treat of the boys and girls of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church last evening. As if anxious to participate in the event the older folks were on hand in strong number and manifested much interest in the proceedings. The following programme, which was provided during the evening, was rendered very artistically: Pianoforte selection, Mr. Burnett; reading, Miss Rose Robinson; song, Miss Frances Fraser; reading, Miss Jessie McLean; song, Mr. Jameson; piano selections, Misses Muriel Henderson and Pearl Clay; song, Miss Gracie King; song, the Misses Malcolm; reading, Mr. Allan.

This evening the little folk of the First Congregational church will enjoy their annual Christmas treat, at which the boys and girls of the Protestant Orphanage will be guests by invitation. Tea will be served to these visitors at 6 o'clock, and afterwards an interesting entertainment will be presented, taking the form of a special holiday song service. "Joy Bells" is the title given to the musical part of the programme, and as an additional attraction Mr. William Marchant is announced to deliver an address during the evening.

A mammoth Christmas tree has this year been laden with good things by the generous and loving help of a host of friends, and the distribution of these gifts to the orphan children will be made at the home on Hillside avenue at 3 o'clock to-morrow [Thursday] afternoon. In connection with the tree, an interesting programme has been arranged by the ladies' committee in charge of the affair, to which all friends of the institution are invited.

St. Barnabas' church Sunday school have their holiday entertainment this evening in the Odd Fellows' hall, on Fernwood road, conveniently near to the end of the tram line. Tea will be provided at 5 o'clock, to be followed by a Christmas tree, with Santa Claus in possession, at 8. The prizes for the past year will then be awarded, and a programme of songs, recitations, etc., provided by the scholars. Friends, and especially parents, of the youngsters, will be made heartily welcome.

The Roman Catholic children of this city and vicinity are to have their Christmas tree this afternoon at 3 o'clock, in Institute hall, where in the evening a magic lantern—dear to the hearts of the little folk—will close the holiday entertainment.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

First Game in the Junior Series Will Be Played To-Day.

The first game in the Junior League series will be played at Beacon Hill this afternoon between South Park, the winners in last seasons series and Central school, who this year enter the league for the first time. The game will commence at 2:30 and Mr. L. Campbell has been nominated as official referee. The second game will be played between the "Columbias" and "No. 2 Company Boys' Brigade" on New Year's Day, commencing at 1 p.m., so that the game will be completed at 2:30, when the Intermediate game Y.M.C.A. vs. Columbias will commence. The extended Junior schedule will be published later.

The Columbias and Y.M.C.A. will play the third match in the Intermediate Victoria series at Beacon Hill on New Year's Day, commencing at 2:30.

THE CITY.

MONDAY made a record in rainfall for Victoria, no less than 2.78 inches having been registered at the meterological station at Esquimalt—not .78 as it appeared in the report.

THE Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. McInnes will receive at Government House on New Year's Day from two to six o'clock. Mrs. McInnes will be at home to callers every Thursday thereafter from three to half-past five o'clock.

ON New Year's Day Perseverance and Cedar Hill lodges of I.O.G.T. will give a reception from 11 a.m. till 5 p.m. In the evening a concert will be given, at which some of the best talent in the city will take part. The concert is under the direction of Mr. J. G. Brown, and no admission fee will be charged.

NEWS has been received from Dawson City of the death there of pneumonia, on the 3rd November, of William White, formerly of North Saanich, where his sister, Mrs. Pollard, still has her home. The deceased gentleman was a native of York County, Ontario, and was in his fifty-second year at the time that, in company with Messrs. Frank, Anderson and Moore, he took his departure for the Klondyke in March last.

THE third league basket ball game will be played at the drill hall to-night between the J.B.A.A. and No. 2 company 5th R.C.A. Play will start at 8 o'clock sharp. This undoubtedly will be one of the finest exhibitions of this exciting game yet given in Victoria. No. 2 Company's team is as follows: J. Northcott, W. E. Winsby, W. N. Winsby, K. Scholefield, T. P. Patton, Richardson and Hartnagle. The J.B.A.A. team will be: C. L. Cullin, A. L. Belfrey, W. L. B. Young, F. Widdowson, C. McNeill, W. Stephen and A. Finlaison. The playing members of both clubs are requested to take notice that the game will be played sharp on time.

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"Because Todgers can't stand a draft."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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"You say your son graduated with honors?"

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Eating is a necessity. To the healthy, it is a pleasure; to the dyspeptic, a torture. By the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the weakest and most disordered stomach is restored to its natural condition, and food is once more partaken of with youthful relish and satisfaction.

VICTORIA ERA BALL.

The Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen Entertain Lavishly in Toronto.

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—The great Victoria Era Ball with which the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen mark the termination of their six weeks' stay in Toronto, came off to-night at the armories and proved a very brilliant and successful affair. Three thousand guests were invited and there were but few absentees. The pervading idea of the ball was the presentation of the progress of the Empire, which was done by arranging groups of dancers in Victoria costumes representing literature and music, science and inventions, art, and sports and amusements. The Aberdeens leave for Ottawa December 30.

OPERATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

The Market Disturbed by Rumors of Secretary Gage's Resignation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The bears in the stock market showed more confidence today and had some success in the dealings. The most potent factor in their was the continued firmness of the money market. It showed no change from its recent holiday character and its semblance of waiting for conditions in the money market to become more defined and settled.

The Evening Post says: London appeared to take the Oriental crisis very calmly. It was not even as much concerned as were our own stock exchange oracles at the opening yesterday. Washington news gatherers learned early in the day that Secretary Gage had resigned his office. They sent word promptly to Wall Street and Wall Street immediately sold the market. The next advices, however, were to the effect that Mr. Gage had not resigned; that he had only informed the President that he would resign if so required. This was all mysterious enough to Wall Street, but operators for the short account rather quickly reached the conclusion that there was not enough material in the rumor for an aggressive selling movement. Therefore prices recovered towards the close and ended with few important changes. For the day as a whole, advances predominated.

Closing prices: Amn. Tob., 89⅝; Amn. Sugar, 139¼; do pfd., 115; Amn. Spirits, 7½; do pfd., 18½; A. T. & S. F. pfd., 30¼; C. & O., 13½; Bay State Gas, 4; C. & O., 22⅝; C.B. & Q., 99⅝; Chgo. Gas, 96¾; C. & N. W., 121¼; C.R. I. & P., 91½; C. M. & St. P., 95; Cons. Gas, N.Y., 181; G.E., 33¼; J. C., 96; Laclede Gas, com., 44; L. & N., 56¼; Man. Elev., 112½; Mo. Pac., 34; Nat. Lead, 37½ Nor. Amn., 105; Nor. Pac., com. new, 21¼; do pfd., 9½; N. Y. C. & H., 107½; N. Y. O. & W., 15⅝; S. & W. pfd., 32½; Phila., all paid, 22¾; Sou. Ry. Com., 9; do pfd., 32½; T.C. & I., 26¼; U.S. Leather, pfd., 63¾; U. P., Rets, 26⅝; Wabash, 7¼; do pfd, 18; W.U., 91¼.

C.P.R. in London, 85¾. Com'l Cable in Montreal, 178½ xd.

Money on call easy at 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½ to 3¾ per cent. Com'l. bills 4.80½ to 4.81. Government bonds weak.

Bar silver, 56¾c; Mexican dollars, 45⅝c; silver certificates, 56½c.

Copper dull; brokers, $10.87½; exchange, $10.85 to $10.95. Lead strong; brokers, $3.50; exchange, $3.70 to $3 75. Tin steady; straits, $13.60 to $13.70; plates easy. Spelter quiet; domestic, $3.95 to $4. Rosin and turpentine steady. Pig iron dull; Southern, $10 to $12.25; Northern, $10.50 to $12.25.

Wheat closed No. 2 red Jan., 99⅝c.; Feb., $1; May, 94⅝c.; July, 88¾c.; Dec., $1.01¾.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Wheat Dec., 99½c.; Jan., 94¾c.; May, 91¼c. Corn Dec., 27¾c.; Jan., 27⅝c.; May, 30½c.; July, 31½c. Oats Dec., 22¾c.; May, 24c. Mess pork, Dec., $7.70; Jan., $8.50; May, $8.87½. Lard, Dec., $4.42½; Jan., $4.55; May, $4.70. Short ribs, Dec., $4.35; Jan., $4.37½; May, $4.52½.

A Million for Charity.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28—The will of Charles Contoit was filed for probate in the office of the surrogate to-day. After a number of bequests to relatives and friends the residue of the estate amounting to about $1,500,000, will go to charitable institutions and foreign missions.

PERSONAL.

Dr. R. E. McKechnie, of Nanaimo, is a guest at the Driard.

Senator James Reid arrived in town last night from Quesnelle.

H. Youdall, of Westminster, arrived over last night on a business trip.

James McGregor, M.P.P., of Nanaimo, is paying the Capital a holiday visit.

F. S. Maclure was a passenger by the Charmer from Vancouver last night.

W. C. Fraser, Rossland, and E. G. Higginson, Montreal, are at the New England.

Mrs. and Miss Hayward leave to-morrow evening on a short pleasure trip to California.

W. F. Carson, the well known California passenger agent of the C.P.R., went up to Skagway on the Tees last evening.

Mrs. W. G. Cameron and family were passengers to Vancouver by the Charmer yesterday morning.

H. E. Levy and George Brown were among the arrivals from the Sound by yesterday's City of Kingston. Mr. Levy has been making a flying trip to San Francisco.

James A. Fullerton of the C.P.R., and Robert Jamieson, manager of the Victoria and Vancouver theatres, were among the arrivals from Vancouver by the Charmer last evening.

"Not that I know of. Why?"

"She told my wife she had been taking lessons of a professor of polite conversation."—New York World.

DISTRESS FROM EARACHE.

"I was troubled with earache for a long time," says Miss J. Johnson, Innisfall, N. W. T., "and after trying different remedies without success, used Hagyard's Yellow Oil as a last resort and I can really say that it cured me so completely that I have never had earache since."

Boys' and Men's Sweaters, 75c., $1.00, $1.25 upwards. B. Williams & Co.

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REAL PROPERTY TAX SALE BY-LAW, 1897.

List of Lands and Improvements within the Corporation of the City of Victoria, to be sold for Taxes and Costs on the 29th day of December, 1897, at the City Hall, Victoria, at 12 o'clock, noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid.

Lot.	Block.	Section.	Lands and Improvements.	Assessed Owner.	Registered Owner.	Amount of Taxes for Year or Years ending Dec. 31, 1894, unpaid Nov. 24th, 1897.	Collector's Commission and Contingent expenses of sale.	Total Amount of Taxes and Costs.
Part 171	25		Land and Imp.	J. H. Seeley	Pt. W.C.S. Seeley, pt. W.C.S	$ 67 35	$ 9 43	76 78
Part 171	25		do do	Mrs. W. C. Seeley	Seeley & Emmanuel Baria,	69 00	9 66	78 66
Part 171	25		do J	H Seeley & E Baria	pt. Sarah C.N.M. Renworth	31 35	4 39	35 74
N part 406	13		do and Imp.	D. F. Adams	James Porter	108 75	15 22	123 97
E part 432	W		do do	Mrs. J. C. K. Greenwood	John K. Greenwood	44 25	6 19	50 44
E part 794	10		do do	Mrs. Mary Jamieson	Not registered	22 55	3 15	25 70
807	10		do	John Colbert	John Colbert and Joshua H. Warner	34 50	4 83	39 33
872	J		do and Imp.	Sam Hop Tang	San Hop Tang	54 37	7 61	61 98
E ½ 878	J		do do	Lucie Thiebault	Lucie Thiebault	30 66	4 30	34 96
14 of 955, etc.	44		do	W. H. Ellis	P. R. Brown	13 50	1 89	15 39
N pt 15, do	44		do	do	do	2 00	28	2 28
S do do	44		do	W. J. Cline	do	10 00	1 40	11 40
1026	Z		do	J. Bigne	Not registered	39 76	5 56	45 32
1038	Z		do and Imp.	Mrs. Rose Wallace	James Wallace	16 50	2 31	18 81
1046	7		do	Shelton & Fleming	Frank Shelton and Lizzie Fleming	15 00	2 10	17 10
1128	33		do	B. H. John	Bedlington, H. John	16 50	2 31	18 81
1129	33		do and Imp.	do	do	24 75	3 45	28 20
1263	H		do do	John Turner	John Turner	255 00	35 70	290 70
13 of 1257	T		do do	Winnifred Gibson	Winnifred Gibson	31 50	4 41	35 91
1301	46		do do	J. C. Prevost	Andrew D. Laing	41 25	5 77	47 02
1302	46		do	do	do	41 25	5 77	47 02
1303	46		do and Imp.	do	do	43 88	6 14	50 02
1313	44		do	G. A. Keefer	Not registered	39 74	5 56	45 30
1314	44		do	do	do	39 74	5 56	45 30
E part 1631	32		do	Mrs. Ellen Turner	Ellen Turner	6 00	84	6 84
1632	32		do and Imp.	do	do	18 75	2 62	21 37
1633	32		do do	do	do	25 50	3 57	29 07
1634	32		do do	do	do	27 00	3 78	30 78
1637	32		do	do	do	16 50	2 31	18 18
5 of 1707-1711	60	(Map 220)	do	H. M. Dumbleton	Henry M. Dumbleton	21 00	2 94	23 94
6 of 1707-1711	60	do	do	do	do	21 00	2 94	23 94
N part 1746	60		do	A. J. Smith	Andrew J. Smith	27 00	3 78	30 78
7 of 1777-1791	61		do and Imp.	W. H. Flewin	Wm. Hy. Flewin	20 25	2 83	23 08
1867	63		do	Est. W. C. Seeley	Wm. C. S. Seeley	35 82	5 01	40 83
1872	63		do and Imp.	do	do	45 94	6 43	52 37
Part	3	Beckley Farm	do	R. R. Bayne	Richard R. Bayne	24 00	3 36	27 36
5	15-16	do	do	W. D. Morgan	Winslow D. Morgan	19 86	2 78	22 64
31	20	do	do and Imp.	Fred. McGraw	Frederick McGraw	18 99	2 66	21 65
W ½ 32	20	do	do	do	do	7 62	1 06	8 68
10	21	do	do and Imp.	W. H. Cowper	Wm. Hy. Cowper	51 00	7 14	58 14
11	21	do	do	do	do	48 00	6 72	54 72
12	21	do	do	do	do	55 50	7 77	63 27
6 of 7-9	22	do	do	T. Corsan	Thomas Corsan	11 25	1 57	12 82
2	1	Christ Ch. Tr. est.	do	W. H. Ellis	Wm. H. Ellis	24 00	3 36	27 36
11	1	do	do and Imp.	do	do	35 25	4 93	40 18
6	37	Fairfield Estate	do	J. E. Martin	James Douglas	4 50	63	5 13
22	37	do	do	Richard Robinson	do	4 12	57	4 69
10	4	19	do	Catherine J. John	Catherine J. John	3 00	42	3 42
	14	68 (Map 261)	do	Est. W. R. Clarke	Wm. R. Clarke	23 24	3 25	26 49
17	5a	68 & 74 (Map 260 a)	do	A. L. Belyea	Benjamin S. Oddy	2 40	33	2 73
25	5a	do	do	do	do	2 40	33	2 73
2	3	74	do	Mrs. Agnes Reid	Agnes Reid	4 87	68	5 55
3	3	74	do	do	do	3 38	47	3 85
55	5	74	do	Wm. Farmer	Euphemia Cline	4 05	56	4 61
37	5	74	do	Wm. Moore	do	3 38	47	3 85
36	5	74	do	Dr. L. N. McKechnie	do	3 37	47	3 84
38	5	74	do	do	do	4 05	56	4 61
N ½ 6	Regent's park.	74	do	J. J. Austin	John J. Austin	4 50	63	5 13
7	do	74	do	do	do	16 50	2 31	18 81
8	do	74	do	do	do	13 50	1 89	15 39
19	2-3	Fernwood Estate.	do	E. G. Anderson	P. W. Patterson and Ed. G. Anderson	1 39	19	1 58
31	2-3	do	do and Imp.	J. H. Brownlee	Annie Hind	15 00	2 10	17 10
11	13 17 &c	do	do	H. Smith	William Wilson	3 75	52	4 27
Part	21-22	do	do and Imp.	P. S. Fenerty, et al.	Sarsfield Joseph, Kate, Anna and John Fenerty	300 99	42 13	343 12
Part	36	do	do do	do	do do	89 42	12 53	101 95
16	34	do	do do	John Colbert	Daniel R. Young	17 25	2 41	19 66
N ½ 3	58-59	do	do do	J. J. Austin	J. J. Austin	5 25	73	5 98
32	69	do	do	John Teague	John Teague	5 25	73	5 98
33	69	do	do	do	do	6 00	84	6 84
35	69	do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
37	69	do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
111	69	do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
18	45-48 &c	25	do	Chan Man Cheong	E. B. C. Hannington and Hy. Croft	2 70	38	3 08
74	do	25	do	W. H. Phillpot	Wm. H. Philpott	5 01	70	5 71
87	do	25	do	G. A. McBain	John D. Foreman	6 56	92	7 48
34	69-72	Spring Ridge	do and Imp.	C. Farrington	Christopher Farrington	7 50	1 05	8 55
42	69-72	do	do do	Mrs. M. R. Robbins	Clara O'Haggerty	9 00	1 26	10 26
8	Suburban	5-acre lots N ½ 7	do and Imp.	W. J. Cline	Walter J. Cline	21 00	2 94	23 94
34	do	do 8	do do	Thos. Tugwell	Thomas Tugwell	17 25	2 41	19 66
18	do	do 19	do	F. H. Curry	Frank H. Curry	5 40	75	6 15
W ½ 36	do	do 19	do	Mrs. John Smith	John Smith	2 70	38	3 08
W ½ 59	do	do 19	do	do	do	2 70	38	3 08
14	A	Finlayson Est	do and Imp.	Mrs. Kate Wilson	Joseph Wilson	25 50	3 57	29 07
8	B	do	do do	T. J. Dearberg	Thomas J. Dearberg	18 00	2 52	20 52
12	C	do	do	Tong Yue & Co	Charles J. Mulkey	18 00	2 52	20 52
15	Q	Work Estate	do	N. P. Snowden	Northing P. Snowden	9 00	1 26	10 26
16	Q	do	do	do	do	10 50	1 47	11 97
17	1, 7, 8, 9	do (Map 162)	do	Loo Chong Shang & Chow Kai	Royal Agnew	33 73	4 72	38 45
96	7	Hillside Ext. IV.	do	Donald Smith	Donald Smith	13 50	1 89	15 39
97	7	do IV.	do and Imp.	do	do	17 25	2 41	19 66
128	9	do IV.	do do	J. A. Grant	James A. Grant	14 25	1 99	16 24
161	10	do IV.	do	James Jeffery	James Jeffrey	9 75	1 36	11 11
253	13	do C	do and Imp.	Mrs. L. Winnett	Lydia Winnett	7 50	1 05	8 55
255	13	do C	do do	do	do	7 50	1 05	8 55
6 of 3	7-9	Saanich Ext.	do	Sam Wai	Sam Wai	3 38	47	3 85
10 of 4	7-9	do	do	do	do	3 00	42	3 42
22 of 1	56-57 &c	29-30 Oaklands	do and Imp.	A. V. Wover	Emanuel Levy and Emmanuel J. Salmon	5 99	84	6 83
2 of 2	do	do do	do	G. P. Carter	Joshua Davies, Henry Moss	4 23	59	4 82
1 of 3	do	do do	do	F. J. Julift	do do	2 70	38	3 08
14 of 3	do	do do	do	do	do do	2 70	38	3 08
22 of 3	do	do do	do	Est. Geo. Fairbrother	do do	2 70	38	3 08
	10	do do	do	C. Farrington	Not registered	52 00	7 28	59 28
1	1-5	10 Victoria West	do	Thos. Henderson	Thos. Henderson	4 50	63	5 13
2	1-5	10 do	do	do	do	4 13	58	4 71
25	1-5	10 do	do	R. Kenny	Emanuel J. Salmon	3 37	47	3 84
37	1-5	10 do	do	Robt. Whittly	do	3 38	47	3 85
10	8-12	10 do	do	Thos. Turnbull	Thomas Turnbull	4 13	58	1 02
11	8-12	10 do	do	do	do	2 25	31	2 56
5	13-17	10 do	do	Thos. Henderson	Thomas Henderson	5 25	73	5 98
6	13-17	10 do	do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
25	F	31 do	do	Styles & Banfield	George Elvin	9 75	1 37	11 12
25a	F	31 do	do and Imp.	do do	do	7 50	1 05	8 55
19 of 101-4 &c.	N	31 do	do	Mrs. T. N. Butcher	Thomas N. Butcher	1 50	21	1 71
27 do	N	31 do	do	do	do	1 50	21	1 71
188	W	31 do	do and Imp.	T. W. Fletcher	Thomas W. Fletcher	4 88	68	5 56
183	X	31 do	do	Mrs. L. M. Boggs	Louisa M. Boggs	7 50	1 05	8 55
184	X	31 do	do and Imp.	do	do	25 50	3 57	29 07
8	Lime Bay	31 do	do	W. R. Jones	Wilfrid R. Jones	9 75	1 36	11 11
12	do	31 do	do and Imp.	do	do	9 75	1 36	11 11
15	1-6	32 do	do	M. Lefurgy	Beaumont Boggs	2 25	32	2 57
16	1-6	32 do	do	J. M. Morris	do	2 25	32	2 57
Pt. 3	11-12	32 do	do	Jno. Kinsman	Elbridge J. Christie	1 70	23	1 93
Pt. 4	11-12	32 do	do	do	do	1 33	19	1 52
8	18 19 &c	32 do	do and Imp.	McKay & Cannell	Kenneth Cannell and Alexander McKay	7 63	1 07	8 70

City Treasurer and Collector's Office,
City Hall, Victoria, B.C.
November 24th, 1897.

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Notice is hereby given that the under-mentioned tracts of land are reserved for Government purposes until further notice, viz:—

1. A belt of land, five miles in width, extending back from the shore line of the whole of that portion of Bennett Lake, which lies within the Province

2. A belt of land, five miles in width, extending back from the shore line of the whole of that portion of Teslin Lake which lies within the Province.

3. A belt of land commencing at a point five miles below Glenora, on the Stickeen river; thence up the said river to a point five miles above Telegraph Creek, and having a width of five miles on each side of the said river

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 11th December, 1897. d13

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

ADMIRAL'S HOUSE TAX.

The undersigned is now ready to refund the above tax.

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CHAS. KENT,
Treasurer.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Pyramid Harbour, on the Lynn Canal in a northerly or northwesterly direction, and by the most direct and feasible route to a point on the boundary line between this province and the Northwest Territory of Canada, and with power to construct equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharfs, docks, and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria, the 3rd day of December, A.D. 1897.

R. T. ELLIOTT,
de4 Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Portland Inlet or Portland Canal, Cassiar District, British Columbia by the most direct and feasible route to a point at or near Teslin Lake; and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railways steamboats or other companies: and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria the 4th day of August, A.D. 1897.

HUNTER & OLIVER,
au5 Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain a railway of standard or any other gauge from a point at or near the head of Lynn canal northward along Dalton's trail or as near thereto as practicable to a point at or near Fort Selkirk in the North West Territories, with power to connect with any railway in American Territory, and to construct, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, ways, bridges and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith, and with power to build, equip, own and maintain steam and other vessels and boats, and to operate the same on any navigable waters, and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the proposed railway and works, and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power, and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the Company, and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporations, or other persons or bodies, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over any of such roads, railway, ferries, wharves and vessels, and with power to make traffic or other arrangements with railway steamboat or other companies, and for all other necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf

ROBERT CASSIDY,
32 Langley St., Victoria, B.C.,
Solicitor for the applicants.
November 16th, 1897. n26

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of developing and tusning to commercial use the Iron Ore deposits situate upon and near the coast line of the province of British Columbia, and to that end, to construct blast furnaces, rolling mills, roads, tram roads, railroads, docks wharves, houses, buildings, wharves, docks, steam and other ships, hydraulic power plant and works, electric power and electric lighting plant and works, plate-rolling plant, tin-plating plant, and such other plant and appliances for the manufacture of pig iron, steel blooms and billets, tin plates and generally to do all things necessary and conductive to the establishment of iron, steel and tin plate works and manufactories, and for the establishment of a home trade and an export trade, and to acquire lands, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies, and generally to do, acquire, receive and perform all usual and necessary rights, powers privileges and aids for giving full effect to the intentions of the applicant herein before set forth.

Dated at Victoria, the 8th day of December, 1897.

JOHN COBELDICK,
d10 Applicant.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip maintain and operate, by any kind or kinds of motive power, either a standard or narrow-gauge railway, for the purpose of conveying passengers, freight and merchandise from Teslin Lake, in the Province of British Columbia, in a southerly direction to some point on the Pacific coast or inlets thereof, in the said Province; with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks, elevators and railway stations in connection therewith, and generally to carry on the business of transportation; to erect, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and any branches thereof; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes aforesaid; to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges or other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using, and on all freight passing over the said railway or any of its branches; together with all such other powers, rights and privileges as may be necessary or incidental to the attainment of the foregoing objects or any of them.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., the 8th day of December, 1897.

H. E. A. ROBERTSON,
8 Bastion Square, Victoria, B.C.,
de-10 Solicitor for the applicants.

NOTICE.

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A STARTLING PROPOSITION.

Mr. Richard Shaw's statements contained in this morning's COLONIST, as to the number of people employed on the Klondyke and the wages they are getting, afford ground for some very serious thinking. A monthly pay-roll of $1,250,000 means, one would suppose, an output of at least twice as much gold, or $2,500,000 a month, which in its turn means $30,000,000 a year. Mr. Shaw does not figure out that there will be such a vast amount of gold produced in the new fields, nor do we. He simply relates the facts, as they come under his observation, and we add nothing to them. One man can judge of the correctness of the conclusion as well as another. It seems easier to concede it to be right than to suggest plausible reasons why it should be very far wrong. It seems incredible that the Klondyke can yield in any one year the vast sum above mentioned, but if they are producing nothing, why are men being paid $15.00 a day? It seems safe to assume that when a man is paying another such wages, he is going to make something out of the operation himself. It is to be borne in mind that only a very small proportion of the population of Klondyke are living in idleness or engaged in non-productive operations. With many people working at such wages, a vast amount in value must be produced. Whether the mine-owners are able or unable to make as much profit as the wages amount to may be an open question; but it is certain that what is paid in wages will have to come out of the country. It is not a case where the same money is handled over and over again. The mine-owners are paying their workmen out of the proceeds of the mines, and they do not handle the nuggets a second time for that purpose, as men do money circulating in other localities. If a Victoria concern pays out wages, it is likely to get the money back again; but when a Klondyke miner pays his men, he does it with gold taken out of the ground, and no one pays it back to him again, for he has nothing to sell but gold. Therefore, if there are 1,000 people working in the mines on the Klondyke, and receiving $15 per day each in wages, this means $15,000 a day, which comes to $450,000 a month if they work every day of the week, including Sundays, and it is all actually mined. If the number of employees is 2,000, the pay-roll is $900,000 a month, and so on. Anyone can figure the thing out for himself. The gold to pay these people is, as we have said, being taken out of the ground and will be brought out of the country. All of which goes to show that the prospect is that there will be a great deal of gold to come out of the Yukon next year.

SEALS IN HUDSON'S BAY.

A Washington despatch to the New York Herald, printed in the COLONIST yesterday, spoke of the seal skins taken by the Hudson's Bay company in the bay from which the corporation takes its name, stating that the number of such skins is between 15,000 and 20,000. The letter does not expressly say so, but the language used conveys the idea that these skins are of fur seals, such as are taken in the Pacific ocean. As a matter of fact there never was a fur seal taken in the Atlantic ocean or in any of the gulfs, bays or seas connected with it. What are taken in Hudson's bay are hair seals.

In the opinion of competent authority the only reason why fur seals are not found in Hudson's bay is because no attempt has been made to introduce them to those waters, which we are told are in every way fitted for their propagation. We recommend this matter to the consideration of the department of marine and fisheries. We believe it would be excellent policy to procure the nucleus of a seal herd and place it in Hudson's bay, permitting it to increase for a number of years without molestation, and after that providing for the slaughter of the animals under such restrictions as would prevent their extinction. The experiment would not be a costly one, and if it proved successful, as we are assured it would, the gain to the Dominion would be great. We think that under the law of nations Hudson's bay is a closed sea, and as such would be wholly under the control of Canada. It is somewhat unfortunate that this matter has not received the attention of the proper department, but the reason probably is that the sealing question had not reached an acute stage until recently. If there is danger of the extinction of the Pribyloff herd, it would be an excellent commercial venture to start a new one. Canada is, we believe, the only country in the world in a position to do this, and the unique position of the Dominion in this regard ought not to remain unutilized. The policy we recommend would be a very popular one, and would attract the attention of the world. It would also cast a flood of light upon the sealing question, by showing the real nature of the monopoly which inspires the unreasonable conduct of the United States government.

RECIPROCAL COASTING PRIVILEGES.

Responding to our invitation the Post-Intelligencer discusses the subject of mutual concessions between Canada and the United States in regard to coasting and river navigation in the Pacific Northwest. Our contemporary thinks the COLONIST'S arguments are specious, but it does not assent to them. It should show, if it can, wherein those arguments are defective. We believe that shipping men will agree with us that Canada has as much to offer in this regard as the United States, and from a business point of view the subject is one that ought not to be dismissed in a cavalier fashion.

It will be very greatly to the advantage of the United States steamboat companies on the Yukon to be able to bill freight from St. Michael's to all Yukon points, without having to transfer to British bottoms at Dawson. It will be of great advantage to United States steamboat companies to be able to do a business between all points on the Stickeen river. It will be to the advantage of United States ocean steamship companies to be able to do business between all points on the British Columbia seaboard. On the other hand it will be to the advantage of Canadian ocean steamship companies to be able to do business between all points in Alaska and to Canadian steamboat owners, doing business upon the Yukon to be able to carry freight and passengers between points on the Alaskan portion of that river. It is not easy to say on which side the balance of advantage would be. Much would depend upon the enterprise of the transportation companies and the manner in which they utilized the new opportunities for doing business.

The Post-Intelligencer in its haste quite misunderstood what the COLONIST said, or has a very poor appreciation of the West Coast of British Columbia. The COLONIST did not suggest that United States steamships might want to stop at Stickeen on their way to Dyea, for that is in itself an absurdity. An ocean going steamer could not call at any point on the Stickeen in Canadian territory. What we spoke of was the probability that as the West Coast of British Columbia developes it would doubtless be found very much to the advantage of United States steamships on their way to Alaskan ports to be able to make calls at points along nearly a thousand miles of coast line, where there are many properties now in course of development. We were not discussing things as they are this week, or even as they are likely to be next year. It would not be worth while to discuss the subject at all from that limited point of view, for there is not enough business done now to make the matter worthy of consideration. Both sides can get along very satisfactorily as things now are, if business does not increase. If, however, the progress of the Northwest Coast is what we all expect it to be, both Canada and the United States have much to gain from the adoption of such a policy as we suggested, and we believe that when the Post-Intelligencer comes to understand the matter, it will see that it has been in haste to condemn what is perhaps more to the benefit of its own people than it is to Canadians. Matters of this kind cannot be measured with the same accuracy as a chemist puts up a prescription, but we think out statement of the case was not unfavorable to the United States, nor made any undue claim on behalf of what Canada has to offer.

THE Toronto World is greatly disturbed by a fear lest there may be trouble on the Yukon next year with American citizens. There is not the least cause for anxiety. All the Canadian government has to do is to see that its regulations are such as meet the approval of Canadians and be prepared to enforce them with decision and impartiality. The bluster of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer ought not to frighten an intelligent pullet from her first setting of eggs. Our neighbors in the State of Washington neither approve of its vaporings nor are they influenced by them. On the other hand, there is all through that state a very just appreciation of British laws and the manner in which they are administered. No one will yield a more cheerful compliance with the laws of Canada than American citizens, and they will not thank those papers which represent the contrary.

WE may remind the Times that after libel proceedings have been instituted against a paper, the publication of anything in that paper tending to direct attention to the alleged libel is regarded by the courts as greatly aggravating the original offence.

A SHANGHAI despatch of yesterday announces that the British fleet has anchored at Port Hamilton and that the Japanese fleet has also rendezvoused there. Port Hamilton is on an island at the southern extremity of Corea. A despatch of the 26th inst., which did not reach Victoria in consequence of the interruption of telegraphic communication, said that seventeen British warships were off Chemulpo, Corea, and had compelled the king to replace Mr. Brown at the head of the customs department, from which position he was ousted not long ago at the alleged instance of Russia. It was added that thirty Japanese warships were in close proximity to the British fleet and would co-operate with the latter in a demonstration. Things look as if John Bull had made up his mind to take a hand in the Oriental game.

THE dark and mysterious insinuations of the evening paper as to the sealers would be the better for some explanation. Does our contemporary propose that the Canadian government shall repudiate the award? If it does not, why does it persist in insinuating that the sealers have yet to be heard from and that the matter is not yet settled. We do not suppose that what it says will have any influence one way or the other, but it would be very much wiser if, instead of endeavoring to convince the sealers that the award may be set aside, it would join the COLONIST in demanding that the Dominion government shall take into consideration their claims to compensation either in the way of interest or an allowance to cover legal expenses.

SOME of the authorities in Washington, D.C., are considerably exercised over the alleged discovery of what they are pleased to call an "inland sea" in Alaska, said "sea" consisting of a lake 100 miles long. A high geographical personage says he sees no reason to doubt the report. We cannot conceive why he should doubt it. Alaska is a big country and a lake 100 miles long would take up a very little space on its surface. But why call it an "inland sea"? Lake Teslin is nearly 100 miles long; some people say it is less, others more, but up to very recently it has been supposed to be at least 100. No one has ever thought of making a fuss over it as an inland sea. We cannot think of any reason why all the good things should be on the Canadian side of the 141st meridian. We have big lakes and big rivers, with gold and copper deposits on their shores. Why should there not be some in Alaska? There may be something in the idea that Providence put the good things in Canada, because Canadians know how to govern a country, but all the same there may be a few on the Alaskan side of the meridian.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

NO TWO OF THE KIND.

We are surprised that the Canadian Gazette can be so very unreasonable. Speaking of the proposed commercial agency in London, it says that it will not do to appoint a mere politician to the head of it, but a keen, active man of business—"in fact, another Professor Robertson." As if one colony, even as large as the Dominion, could produce two Professor Robertsons!—Winnipeg Free Press.

VICTORIA ADVERTISES.

The Globe, it would seem from the tenor of the article we are referring to, knows of no other city than Victoria from which those going into the Klondyke or Yukon gold fields can either outfit or take their departure.—Vancouver World.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Anxious Inquirer—General, do you think we are in danger of war? Military Authority—War? No. Why, confound it the country isn't ready! The chainless bicycle hasn't been perfected yet.

"Why is it that the sons of great men seldom amount to much?" "I don't know, unless it's because the great men are always so busy that they have no time to devote to the development of their sons."

"What this country wants to do," said the reformer, "is to raise the requirements for officeholders." "Exactly so," replied Senator Sorghum, "and allow me to remind you that the principal requirement of an officeholder is his salary."

First Tramp—Haw! Haw! I won a bet I made wit' me frien', Beery Bill. He gev me odds of two to one he wouldn't do ten days' work inside of a year. Second Tramp—What's he been a-doin'? First Tramp—It says here he's been sent up fer six mont's at hard labor.

Horton—How is it that you always put on such a long face and talk so discouragingly when your wife happens to be present? At other times you are one of the most enthusiastic prosperity boomers I know of. Henley—I promised her away last spring that I'd get her a new sealskin sacque this fall if business picked up.

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THIS morning at 10 o'clock, a special meeting of the city council will be held to consider the city solicitor's offer in regard to bridge suit costs.

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As the city engineer is confined to the house from indisposition and unable to attend as a witness, the case against D. F. Adams for encumbering Henry street with lumber was further adjourned yesterday until Friday afternoon.

CHECKS in settlement of all accounts passed by the auditing committee up to date, are now ready at the city hall, and Treasurer Kent would be obliged if payees would have these presented at the bank on or before the 31st inst.

A. SHRAPNEL, who was captured, tied up, and presented to the police in a neatly corded package by some Chinamen on the charge of breaking into their vegetable store house, at Oak Bay, was yesterday committed for trial by Magistrate Macrae, in the provincial police court.

JOHN SAYYEA, who has travelled the wilds of British Columbia probably more than any other living man, will lecture on the mines and agricultural lands of the province, and also on the best roads to the Klondyke country, at the city hall to-morrow at 8 p.m. No admission fee will be charged.

THE children of St. John's Sunday school are preparing a very pretty evening's amusement for the near future, consisting of a one act comedy, "Mother Goose's Christmas Party," and to conclude with a holiday entertainment, "Britannia, the Ocean Queen," introducing all the well known nursery rhymes in character.

ABOUT the middle of December Frederick C. Holden, of Victoria, met with a rather serious accident on the Skagway trail. He was with a survey party and fell down a steep part of the hill, injuring his head. He was taken to Skagway, and has since been able to write to his family that he is recovering very well.

"THE GAY MATINEE GIRL" will be presented at the Victoria theatre on Saturday evening. This successful three-act comedy will be presented for the first time here with those famous and exceedingly clever comedians, Monroe and Hart, as the stars, supported by an extra strong company of twenty-two carefully selected high salaried artists, many of them being well known to all theatre-goers. The production has received the plaudits of many thousands, and with its new scenery, beautiful costumes, tuneful music, catchy songs, gleeful comedy, witty and up-to-date new idea specialties, will certainly provide an enjoyable evening's entertainment. Seat are on sale at Jamieson's book store.

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LAST evening's Charmer brought no Eastern mail.

A MASK ball has been arranged by the managers of the Sir William Wallace hall as a New Year's eve attraction.

UPWARDS of fifty couples enjoyed a pleasant masquerade dance at Bertram hall, Spring Ridge, yesterday evening.

THE city police are looking for an owner for a quantity of bed clothing which has recently come into their possession, and which they have reason to believe has been stolen.

ADVICES have been received by the local post office authorities that no immediate change in the letter rate to the United Kingdom is contemplated. For the present, at least, the postage will continue five cents for each half ounce or fraction thereof.

THE sole owner of the western rights in the wonderful veriscope, who happens to be visiting in Victoria at the present time, has a good story to tell his friends in relation to the memorable Carson City meeting between Messrs. Corbett and Fitzsimmons. It is to be taken for what it is worth—but be it truth or fancy is not a bad story. "It was the veriscope that really defeated Jim Corbett," he says: "How? Well I'll tell you. At the end of the sixth round, you will remember it looked like a comparatively easy victory for Corbett. Dan Stuart thought indeed that the end of the fight was at hand, and as no one could hope to make a satisfactory veriscope exhibition with only six rounds, he called out to Corbett not to rush the verdict—that the veriscope people held it worth $15,000 if he would make the fight last out a decent number of rounds. Well, Corbett tried to prolong the battle, and he hadn't the stamina to hold out. Fitzsimmons from that time kept improving, and went out a winner. There are many on the inside who say that Corbett's posing for the picture machine killed his chance of the championship."

THE funeral of the late Thos. S. Bone took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, Saanich road, and the Centennial Methodist church, where the Rev. J. F. Betts conducted an impressive burial service, dwelling in an interesting and instructive address on some episodes in the life of the deceased worthy of example and emulation. The remains were interred in Ross Bay cemetery, the following gentlemen acting as pall bearers: Noah Shakespeare, Capt. McCulloch, W. Andean, J. Kineman, J. W. Carey and D. Spencer. The funeral of the late James Scott of Sooke also took place yesterday afternoon from Hayward's undertaking parlors, Rev. J. F. Betts, M.A., officiating at Ross Bay cemetery, where the remains were laid to rest.

ON behalf of the Seaman's Association, Store street, the caretaker begs to render acknowledgment of favors received, and to bring this institution again under the eyes of its patrons for the sustaining and, perhaps, furtherance of the benefits derived from it. Such a place of meeting has already been referred to as a "distinct need in our city," and has, under the promotion of Canon Paddon, met the decided approval of the Bishop of Columbia and leading men of the city, among whom Capt. Grant, J. Dunsmuir, Marvin & Co., Capt. Cox, Turner, Beeton & Co., A. C. Flumerfelt, G. Gillespie, J. Boscowitz, T. B. Hall, Hall, Goepel & Co, Rithet & Co., Mr. Galletley, F. Carne, Erskine, Wall & Co., Capt. Clarke and Mayor Redfern, kindly subscribed for the opening of the reading-room. Current reading matter has been generously contributed from the Royal Marine Artillery, Work Point, while magazines and flowers have been gratefully received from Miss Florence Goward.

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AN EXTENDED TRIP.

Little Freighting Steamer "Card" Considerably Overdue From the Fraser.

Captain Walbran's Explanation—Wreckage in the Straits—The "Clayoquot's" New Route.

Something—in all probability the stormy weather—is detaining the steam freighter J. C. Card, which left New Westminster for Victoria about a week ago, and which since leaving James island on Sunday has not been seen by passing vessels. The steamer has a full load of produce consigned to the Brackman & Ker Co., and up till late yesterday evening this firm had received no tidings of the missing boat although they do not fear that anything serious has happened to her. Should anything have occurred, however, the company's interests are secure, as the vessel's cargo is fully insured. The steamer Fingal, another such a freighter as the Card, was in port yesterday with a similar cargo as the Card is bringing. She was anchored in lea of James island all Sunday waiting for the weather to clear up a little before proceeding to port. She reports that the Card left the same shelter at 9 o'clock on Sunday morning, and herein comes in the remarkable feature of the Card's long absence. It is possible that finding the sea too rough after venturing out the Card put about, but in this case being not more than a three-hour run from Victoria one would imagine that some of the many steamers which pass to and fro every day would have seen the vessel. Then again, if the vessel got into trouble it is generally thought that some of her crew would have gone to Sidney to telephone for assistance. The Card is a new vessel, having only been launched at New Westminster three months ago. She resembles the Fingal and Staffa in appearance and model and is large enough to weather a good storm.

THE REASON O' IT.

As mentioned in the COLONIST several days ago, considerable comment was aroused last week through the Dominion government steamer Quadra having halted on her way to search for the missing men of the wrecked Cleveland, and spent a day or more in rounding up Indians who had been engaged in looting the unfortunate vessel. As one official pointed out, this was very laudable no doubt if there was nothing else to do, but the government steamer had been sent to the West Coast to try and find the survivors of the wreck, and this should have been her first duty. Captain Walbran now explains, and has so reported to Ottawa, that the day or so employed in looking up the Indians could not be utilized in making further progress northward, for the reason that a very thick fog obscured the coast, making navigation dangerous and such a thing as looking for lost boats an impossibility. The captain of the Quadra has, according to the Cleveland's people, been most zealous in doing all that man could do to promote their comfort and safety, and he feels somewhat keenly the imputation that he allowed anything to stand in the way of his search for the missing men. As a matter of fact, he declares that he did not.

THE "CLAYOQUOT'S" NEW ROUTE.

To-day, at 7 a.m., the little steamer Clayoquot inaugurates her regular service between Victoria and important Gulf island points, it having been decided to make calls on the upward voyages at Fulford Harbor, Beaver Point, Ganges Harbor and Fernwood; and on the return visiting Vesuvius, Maple and Burgoyne bays and Cowichan. On Saturdays the Clayoquot will run from here to Fulford Harbor, Beaver Point, Ganges Harbor, Fernwood and Nanaimo. Spratt's wharf is her home anchorage.

ARRIVES FROM THE ORIENT.

The Northern Pacific steamship Victoria fourteen days out from China and Japan reached William Head yesterday evening and will berth at the outer wharf this morning. She would have come on to Victoria after complying with the quarantine regulations but for the stormy weather and dark night—reasons that kept her from stirring where she was, not from entering port. Though having kept a close "look-out" for the long missing Pelican the Victoria sighted nothing resembling that vessel on her trip just completed.

THE "TEES" GOES NORTH.

With a fair freight the C.P.N. steamer Tees, Captain Meyer, left for northern ports last evening, and will call, as she has on her last few trips, at all important Alaskan ports. Mr. Baynes and party of four or five who, as previously announced, have the contract for building a new wharf at Alert Bay for Mr. S. A. Spencer, were among the passengers, while others aboard for Wrangel, Skagway and Dyea, were D. B. Derton, M. Browning, J. Nelson, Wm. Lawson, Jos. Kelly, E. Baker, F. Sinclair, J. Kerschiemer, Mrs. Thomas, Mr. Nightengale, Mr. Harvey E. Suckling, F. H. Mobley and D. J. Stewart. The Tees will be followed north to-day by the steamships City of Seattle and Topeka.

MARINE NOTES.

The little steamer Santa Cruz has arrived all o.k. on the Sound, where she will receive repairs.

The schooners Teresa, Captain G. Meyer, and Ainoka, Captain George Heater, cleared yesterday on their spring cruises.

First Officer Herman Smith, of the steamer Caledonia, left for the North by the Tees yesterday, his mission being to bring the Hudson's Bay steamer down to Victoria for her rebuilding. The tug Chieftain will accompany the river boat on her voyage south.

The C. P. R. bulletin announces the arrival of the American liner St. Paul at New York from Liverpool.

The steamer George W. Elder went North yesterday from Portland with 125 passengers and more freight than she could conveniently accommodate.

British ship Glenlui, Taylor master, has arrived for Puget Sound wheat cargo, after a very rough passage from Adelaide to the Royal Roads. Entering the Straits the new arrival passed through considerable recent wreckage—evidently from either the Cleveland or the Vesta.

German Delicatessen.
Yes, you may have bought some German delicacies here before. If you did you're sure to want some more. To-day we open up a new lot. Limburger, De Bris, Neutchatel, Philadelphia and other cream cheeses, Milchanes herrings and sardellens. When you want something good to eat come here.
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ARRANGEMENTS are being made by the Ministerial Association for a week of prayer, beginning next Monday with services in the Centennial Methodist church and Emmanuel Baptist church. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, services will be in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church; while on Thursday the usual prayer meetings will be held in all the various churches.

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Owing to the persistent wet weather we have arranged a Special Umbrella Offering for the balance of '97—only a few days. You are reminded that we are showing the best stock of Umbrellas in town, and to intending purchasers our assortments and prices will be found very interesting.
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MILLIONS GALORE.

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"There are any number of claims for sale. All one has to do to record a claim is to stake five hundred feet on some promising creek not yet taken up and make oath that he has found colors. The oath in many cases appears to be no impediment. You cannot tell anything about your claim until you work it, because even on a rich creek there are many claims where no paystreak can be found, the gold having slid over the slippery clay bottom instead of remaining on deposit as found on claims above and below.

"It is true that there has been no royalty collected so far, but that is not, as has been stated, because the police have deferred to the indignation expressed by the miners, and are awaiting Major Walsh's arrival. There is no such good luck. The reason no royalty has been collected is simply that there has been practically no gold actually recovered. It is only in winter, when the water does not run, that sinking, drifting and taking out the gravel can be carried on; and it is only in summer, when there is a good supply of running water, that the gravel can be put through the sluices and the gold saved. This washing will be in general operation next June, and then the police will reap the harvest for the government."

Mr. Shaw did not venture any estimate of the gold that will be washed up in the spring, but he said that from 5,000 to 6,000 is the generally accepted number of men in the Klondyke district. There are always three or four hundred temporarily out of work about Dawson City, and the gamblers and sports generally, besides others in the town, have further to be deducted from the total of producers. Taking, therefore, 4,000 as the number who have been working one way and another about the mines, anyone can figure upon the probable minimum output. At the lowest pay of $1 per hour a man's wages one season with another would come to upwards of $10 per day, but at $10 the 4,000 would earn in a day $40,000, in a month $1,200,000, and allowing ten months' work in a year, $12,000,000! If Klondyke only pays wages that is what it should send down next spring. Would the public be surprised if gold fields so rich returned two dollars for every one spent in wages? That would give twenty-four million! Suppose only fifty thousand people go in next summer and all find work, one hardly has courage to figure the total that they must send out before the close of the century to make their ventures profitable.

"There were four in our party on the way out," said Mr. Shaw, "and we had three dogs drawing sledges. We took the very smallest amount of outfit possible, and therefore made the trip from Dawson to Skagway in the exceptionally good time of 32 days. There was only about four inches of snow at Dawson, but along the trail it increased until at the summit it was between four and five feet deep. There seems to be no reason why hardy men cannot travel over this trail all winter. We did not suffer from the cold except when we were pitching and striking our tents and had to work with our hands exposed. On the march and when sleeping we were comfortable enough.

"The life at Dawson has a very waring effect, no doubt due to the awful isolation. The old timers, who have been there three or four years, especially those who have not made rich strikes, have the appearance of premature age, and of men who have lost all concern about the world from which they have been so long cut off. No one has any interest except his work. The miners go from their labor to the little log cabins built on the claim, one for every four men. They spend the hours of darkness—from 3 p. m. to 9 a.m. when I left—in their cabins, but they have no artificial light there except that supplied from the sheet metal stove and perhaps from an improvised taper made from a rag or piece of lamp wick stuck in a little can of liquid grease. Candles are too precious to be used in the cabins, being too badly needed in the drifts.

"The miners work by daylight only, the fires preparing the ground for them while they sleep. Drifting is especially slow work, as in the drifts fires cannot be used on account of the smoke, and the miners therefore make great flat stones, as large as can by any means be handled, red hot, and then lower them into the drift to thaw the mass of frozen gravel there. While washing on an extensive scale can only be done in the summer, the miner from time to time tests the gravel he is heaping up, by thawing a panful over the stove in his cabin, and with a little water drawn through a hole cut in the deep ice washes it out, thus avoiding the possibility of spending the winter in heaping up an unproductive mass.

"After the washing season there is a dull time of a couple of months when there is too much water on the surface to permit of sinking or drifting. This is spent in laying in a supply of wood for the fires of the next winter. There is plenty of wood in the neighborhood of the mines, and I heard nothing to indicate that the exhaustion of the supply in the near future was looked for.

"Those who go into the Klondyke early in the spring will have the advantage of the longest time possible for prospecting, building cabins on their claims and getting the wood required for their winter operations. They cannot really tell before the winter, however, whether or not their claims are rich, as when the water is runing the pay streak cannot be got at.

"Those who would succeed in Klondyke must make up their minds to say a long farewell to the world and its modern conveniences, and to live in the plainest possible fashion, for the average man's pay permits of no luxuries. It costs some $6 or $7 a day to live comfortably. There are in Dawson perhaps a hundred gamblers and other sharks who are thriving off the miners' earnings, which they fleece from them when the men seek relaxation in the saloons and dance halls, where they must take shelter when they go into the town. Prices of liquid refreshments keep as high as ever, and the supply of whiskey shows no signs of exhaustion, though subject to a constant drain at 50 cents for the ordinary cheer and one dollar for Scotch."

W. W. Petri, late of Victoria but now of Dawson, in a letter to W. R. Jackson gives an entertaining sketch of his trip in from Lynn Canal, and then in discussing Dawson and the tributary gold fields says: "They have been very much overrated. There do not seem to be any more paying claims than what you have heard about, and the best a man can do is to get a lay—which means 50 per cent. of some claim that has not been prospected. Everything in sight has been taken up. Wages having now been cut to $10 per day, and food worth all the way from $1 to $2 a pound, there is nothing in it for a working man."

A letter dated Dawson City, October 26, has been received by Joseph Heaney from his brother William, who went in last summer with beef for the Yukon. He stated that flour was at the date of writing worth $100 a sack and candles $1 each—and very little for sale at that. Beef was selling at $1 a pound. He reports that John and George Baker, Bob Brice, Peter Davidson and Joe Goyette had arrived two days before he wrote and were all in good health. Mr. Heaney also mentions that Harry McCullough has a very good claim.

THE FARMER'S LIBRARY.

Some Standard Works That Will Be Found Useful to Everyone Interested in Agriculture.

There is at the present time a great dearth of agricultural literature in the homes of the Canadian farmers. In a large percentage of them but few books of any kind are to be found, and the young and rising generation have to depend almost wholly on the circulating libraries in the district to supply literature for such as have a taste for reading. These libraries, or mechanics' institutes, Sunday schools, etc., have done a good work for the masses, but there literature is of a general character, in order to suit the tastes of the different classes of readers. In a perusal of their catalogues very few books will be found which treat directly on the science of agriculture, mainly for the reason, lamentable though it may be, that such books are not often called for, and if a demand were created for them a supply would inevitably follow. If something can be done to induce the circulating libraries in rural districts, to secure some of the most advanced agricultural literature, nothing will be more conducive to the elevation and progression of this the most important of all industries—agriculture.

In order that successful progression may be made in any occupation the individual must not only profit by his own experience, but also by the experience of others. There are none of us who do not owe the large bulk of what we know to the efforts and collected experience of others, and if we drink deep of their gathered experience found in books, and endeavor to profit by their successes and failures, we cannot help but be greatly benefited.

Professional men in their particular calling find it almost an absolute necessity to gather from time to time from the collected experience of their fellows in the same calling. Should we step into the study of the successful doctor or lawyer we should invariably find the most advanced literature, past and present, on his particular work. He is constantly watching the wide field of his profession, for the latest and most approved methods in his work. What he has not met within his experience some other member has. It is published and he profits by the experience of others. If such a course is almost a necessity on the part of the professional man, it should be much more so for the successful farmer who has a much wider field to watch.

Agriculture has reached such a stage that haphazard methods will no longer do. This is the age of keen competition and the farmer who is not alive to the most approved methods of increasing the production and lessening the cost of agricultural products, must fall behind in the race. Countries which have taken the greatest trouble in disseminating agricultural knowledge have made the greatest advancement. France is the most progressive and advanced of all civilized countries in the matter of agricultural education. She has a population of 38,095,156; her farms are the best cultivated in Europe and her produce per head has increased by one-half in the past quarter of a century. The rural inhabitants comprise 75 per cent. of the population, and in comparison with the agricultural classes of some of the other countries of Europe they are thrifty, independent and hopeful. This is well shown from the fact that less than 500,000 have emigrated during the past sixty years, while in England no less than 8,500,000 have left during the same period. Such countries as Germany, Holland and Denmark are all alive to the fact that in order that the whole country should advance they must pay particular attention to the agricultural industry. They are doing this mainly by helping the farmer to help himself. Agricultural information is disseminated through various mediums—agricultural colleges, agricultural associations of various kinds, the teaching of agriculture in the public schools and the establishing of public libraries containing the best works on agriculture.

At the present time a large number of valuable books dealing with agriculture in all its phases, are published, some of which should be in the library of every farmer. Every farmers' institute should endeavor to have a library for the benefit of its members, and add to it from year to year. Although the nucleus might consist of but a few books at first, by small yearly additions it would, in time, assume large proportions. There is nothing that would create a greater desire for agricultural knowledge than a well-stocked Farmers' Institute library, and this is a question which should be carefully considered by the different farmers' institutes of this province.

The following is a short list of some books which are used in agricultural libraries, from which a selection might be made. The authors of these books are acknowledged authorities in their particular lines, and the writer does not hesitate in recommending any or all of them in forming the nucleus of a farmer's private library or that of a farmers' institute:

First Principles of Agriculture, Mills and Shaw, [publishers, Bryant & Co., Toronto]; price, 40 cents.

Feeding Animals, E. W. Stewart, Lake View, Erie County, New York; price, $1.75.

Stock Breeding, M. Miles [D. Appleton & Co., New York]; price, $1 50.

American Fruit Culturist, Thomas D. Appleton & Co., New York; price, $2.

The Horticulturist's Rule Book, Bailey [Rural Pub. Co., New York]; price, $2.

Insects' Foes and How to Destroy Them, Prof. Panton, Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph; price, 50c.

Insects Injurious to Fruit, Wm. Saunders [Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia]; price, $2.

Handbook of Geology, Dawson [Dawson Bros., Montreal]; price, $1.

Geology Simplified, Prof. Panton, Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph; price, $50.

The Chemistry of the Farm, R. Warrington [Vinton & Co., 9 Newbridge street, London E. C., England]; price, 90c.

How Crops Grow, S. W. Johnson (Orange Judd Co., New York); price, $2 00.

How Crops Feed, S. W. Johnson [Orange Judd Co., New York]; price, $2.25.

Elements of Agr. Chemistry and Geology, Johnson and Cameron [Blackwood & Son, Edinburgh, Scotland]; price, $2.00.

Draining for Profit, Waring, [Orange Judd Co., New York]; price, $1 50.

Talks on Manuers, Harris, [Orange Judd Co., New York]; price, $1.50.

Manual of Cattle Feeding, Armsley, [Wiley & Sons, New York]; price, $2.50.

Cattle Breeding, Warfield, [Sanders Publishing Co., Illinois, U.S.A.]; price, $2.25.

The Diseases of Live Stock, Tellor & Miller, [J. S. Robertson & Co., Toronto, Ont.]; price, $2.50.

Handbook on Cheese-making, [The Michigan Dairyman, Grand Rapids, Mich.]; price, 35c.

Randall's Practical Shepherd [American News Co., N. Y.]; price, $2.50.

Good Butter and How to Make It [Smallfield & Son, Renfrew, Ont.]; price, 10 cents.

Book of Poultry [Cassels & Co., New York]; price, $5.

Practical Poultry Keeper [Cassels & Co., New York]; price, $2.

Manual of the Apiary [A. J. Cook, Lansing, Mich., U.S.] price, $1.

A Year Among Bees [Dr. C. C. Millar, Marengo, Ill.]; price, 50 cents.

Barry's Fruit Garden, by P. Barry [Orange, Judd Co., New York] price, $2.

Field Notes on Apple Culture, Bailey [Cornell University]; price, 75 cents.

These books may be ordered direct from their publisher or through the bookseller in any community. The latter way is generally the more satisfactory, as a bookdealer is in a better position to secure better terms with the publisher, and there is often some inconvenience in obtaining the books published in foreign countries from the custom house. A complete list of the best books on agricultural subjects may be had by applying to the Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

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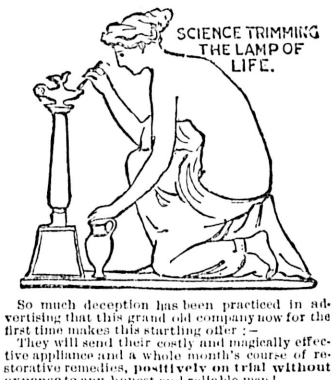

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NOTICES.

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ASSESSMENT ACT.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision and Appeal will sit as follows:—

For the Electoral Districts of Victoria City:—At 51 Langley street, in the City of Victoria, on Monday the 10th and Tuesday 11th days of January, 1898, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For the Electoral District of South Victoria:—At the Royal Oak, on Friday, the 7th day of January, 1898, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., and at John Camp's, South Saanich, on Wednesday, the 12th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of North Victoria Electoral District known as North Saanich:—On Saturday the 8th day of January, 1898, at the Sidney Hotel, Sidney, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt:—On Friday, the 31st day of December, 1897, at Henry Price's, Parson's Bridge, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Electoral Districts of Comox ann Cassiar, known as the Coast, Rupert, Sayward and Quatsino Land Districts:—At 51 Langley street, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 28th day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock a m.

For that portion of the Cowichan-Alberni Electoral District known as Barclay and Clayoquot Land Districts;—At 51 Langley street, Victoria, on Wednesday, the 29th day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Dated at Victoria, this 6th day of Dec. 1897.

S. PERRY MILLS.
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

NOTICE.

Owners of Placer claims are invited to send a few ounces of the black or grey sand obtained in washing the gravel for gold to "The Provincial Mineralogist, Bureau of Mines, Victoria," stating the name of the creek from which the sand is taken, and its locality.

It is believed that PLATINUM and perhaps IRIDIUM, are frequently passed over and lost by the prospector, as they have much the appearance of iron in the sand. These minerals are as valuable as gold, the latter more so, and if the placer claim owners will send the black or grey sand as aforesaid it will be assayed and the results given to the owner.

JAMES BAKER,
de14 Minister of Mines.

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RAILWAY CO.

NOTICE.

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LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.
Victoria, B.C., June 1st, 1897. je5

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing a railway from some point on the Skeena River, in the Province of British Columbia, to some point at or near the eastern boundary of the Province, with power to build branch lines to be operated by any known motive power to any mining or farming regions practicable in connection with the said railway; to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway or any part thereof; to construct elevators, build wharves, docks, warehouses, smelters, refineries, concentrators, stamp mills, etc.; to carry on a general mining and transportation business; to build construct, acquire, and operate ships, steamships, barges or other water craft; to appropriate or otherwise acquire water power, rights and privileges.

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TIME TABLE No. 29,

To take effect at 7 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 4, 1897. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH—READ DOWN.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	9:00	3:00
Ar. Nanaimo	12:15	6 11
Ar. Wellington	12:40	6 30

GOING SOUTH—READ UP.

	Daily	Sat'day
	A.M.	P.M.
Ar. Victoria	12:07	7:00
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:51	3:48
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:30	3.30

For rates and information apply at Company's offices.

A. DUNSMUIR, President. JOSEPH HUNTER. Gen'l Supt.

H. K. PRIOR, General Freight and Passenger Agent.
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Commencing Monday, November 1, 1897, the STEAMER

City of Nanaimo,

W. D. Owen, Master.

will sail as follows, calling at way ports as freight and passengers may offer:

Leave Victoria, Monday, 7 a.m.
" Nanaimo for Comox, Tuesday 7 a.m.
" Comox for Nanaimo, Thursday, 8 a.m.
" Nanaimo for Victoria, Friday, 7 a.m.

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C. P. Navigation Co. Ld.

TIME TABLE NO 31.
Takes effect November 18th. 1897.

VANCOUVER ROUTE.

Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, except Monday, at 1 o'clock.

Vancouver to Victoria—Daily, except Monday, at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE.

LEAVE VICTORIA for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island—Sunday at 23 o'clock; Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock. Sundays steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 2 going East Monday.

For Plumper Pass—Wednesdays and Fridays at 7 o'clock.

For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at 7 o'clock.

LEAVE NEW WESTMINSTER for Victoria—Monday at 13:15 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock

For Plumper Pass—Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at 7 o'clock.

NORTHERN ROUTE.

Steamships of this Company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate ports, via Vancouver, the 1st and 15th of each month at 8 o'clock. And for Skidgate on first of each month.

BARCLAY SOUND ROUTE.

Steamer Tees leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports the 15th and 30th of each month.

The Company reserves the right of changing this Time Table at any time without notification.

JOHN IRVING, Manager.
G. A. CARLETON, General Agent.
Victoria.

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"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

CANADA.
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

No. 24-'97.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that "The Klondyke Mining, Trading and Transport Corporation, Limited," is authorised and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the Legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at 23 Leadenhall Street, in the City of London, England.

The amount of the capital of the Company is £250,000, divided into 250,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at No. 30 Broad Street, Victoria, and Caldwell Ashworth, gentleman and free miner, of same address, is the attorney for the Company.

The objects for which the Company has been established are—

(*a*) To acquire in the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere by purchase, lease, concession, exchange or otherwise, mining property, claims, water rights, and also including lands, mines, mining rights and claims, minerals, ores, mills, stamps, smelting and other works for treating ores and minerals and rendering them marketable metals, including also all kinds of building, machinery and plant useful or supposed to be useful in mining, milling, treating or reducing ores or minerals, and any concessions, grants, decrees, claims, rights or privileges whatsoever which may seem to the Company capable of being turned to account, and to work, develop, carry out, exercise and turn to account the same, and to dispose of any such concessions, grants, decrees, claims, or privileges.

(*b*) To carry on all kinds of exploration business and, in particular in relation to mines and minerals, to seek for and secure openings for capital, and with a view to any of the objects aforesaid, to prospect, enquire, examine, explore and test, and to despatch and employ expeditions, commissions, experts or other agents. To establish and carry on general stores and to manufacture, import, export, purchase and sell articles for sale therein in Canada, England or elsewhere, and carry on any works in connection therewith, and to carry on business as traders, merchants, storekeepers, general dealers, brokers, hotel, restaurant, cafe, tavern, beerhouse and refreshment room keepers, licensed victuallers, wine and spirit merchants proprietors of clubs, baths, places of amusement and shops, tobacco and cigar merchants, carriage builders, wheelwrights, horsedealers, newspaper proprietors, booksellers, printers, publishers, stationers, miners, farmers, stockmen, graziers, carriers, builders and contractors, brickmakers and any kindred trade or business which may be conveniently carried on in connection therewith, and all kinds of agency business and any other kind of business which seems calculated directly or indirectly to further the working and development of any concession, rights or property of the Company or otherwise benefit the Company.

(*c*) To carry on all kinds of promotion business and in particular to form, constitute, float, lend money to, assist and control any companies, partnerships, associations, or undertakings whatsover.

(*d*) To acquire by purchase, lease, license, or otherwise, absolutely or conditionally, the rights, either generally or exclusively, over any area or areas of or in all or any patent rights or processes or mechanical or other contrivances useful or supposed to be useful for any of the purposes of the Company, and to deal with or dispose of the same or any interest therein respectively.

(*e*) To lay out towns, and villages, on the lands acquired or controlled by the Company, and to construct, maintain, alter, make and work railways, tramways, telegraph lines, canals, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, roads, streets, hotels, boarding houses, dwelling houses, factories, shops, stores, gas and water works, piers, wharves, buildings, machinery and other works and appliances of every nature and description, which may be expedient or useful or deemed to be expedient or useful for the purposes of the Company, and to contribute to the cost of making, providing, and carrying on, and working the same.

(*f*) To carry on any business, the carrying on of which the Company may think directly or indirectly conducive to the development of any property in which it is interested.

(*g*) To sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property of the Company.

(*h*) To prospect, explore, and develop the resources of the said lands and hereditaments by building, planting, clearing, mining, and otherwise dealing with the same, and to stock the same or other lands, to cut and to sell timber, and generally to mine and carry on all sorts of mining operations in the Dominion of Canada, or any other part of the globe.

(*i*) To purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire, settle, improve, colonize, farm, and cultivate lands and hereditaments in the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere.

(*j*) To stock the same or other lands, and to breed and deal in all kinds of stock, cattle, sheep and produce.

(*k*) To work and carry on all or any mines, works and properties from time to time in possession of the said Company in such manner as the directors for the time being may determine; to erect all necessary mills and machinery, and appliances, smelting works, laboratories, workshops, dwelling houses and other buildings; construct, maintain, and alter canals, railways, watercourses, tramways, telegraph lines, or any other lines or system of communication whether by telegram, telephone, phonograph, phonophone, or otherwise, by electricity or by pneumatic force or otherwise, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, gas and water works, drainage works, irrigation works, wharves, piers, and other works of every nature and description, purchase, rent, hire, or charter wagons, steam or sailing ships, to enter into and carry out such contracts and arrangements as may be deemed necessary and desirable to enable the Company to carry on its business and for the general conduct and management of its affairs and the doing of all such other things as may be found incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, whether in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or elsewhere.

(*l*) To buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, stores, implements, provisions, chattels and effects capable of being used or required by the Company or its workmen, or by any other persons who may settle on the property of the Company, or by others, and for that purpose to carry on the business of a general shopkeeper or merchant.

(*m*) To purchase, build, charter, equip, load (either on commission or otherwise), sell, repair, let out to hire and trade with steam or other ships, boats and vessels of all kinds. To carry on the business of carriers by land and water.

(*n*) To acquire by grant, purchase or otherwise, concessions of any property or privileges from any government, British, Colonial or foreign, and to perform and fulfil the terms and conditions.

(*o*) To obtain any act of Parliament or law or order of any Colonial or foreign legislature or government for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect.

(*p*) To promote, form and register other Companies, in England or in any Colony, dependency, foreign country, state or territory, for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for all or any of the objects mentioned in this Memorandum, or for advancing directly or indirectly the objects or interests thereof, and to take or otherwise acquire and to underwrite and hold shares, debentures or other securties in or of any such company, and to guarantee the payment of any debentures or other securities issued by any such company.

(*q*) To take or otherwise acquire and hold shares, debentures, bonds, or other securities of or in any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company, or carrying on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company.

(*r*) To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests, or co-operation with any person or company carrying on or about to carry on any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company, and to take or otherwise acquire and hold shares or stock in any such Company. To aid in the establishment and support of associations for the benefit of persons employed by or having dealings with the Company, and in particular friendly societies.

(*s*) To carry on all kinds of financial or banking business, and in particular to negotiate loans and advances, to offer for subscription, place, buy, deal in, make merchantable, sell and dispose of ores, minerals, goods, bullion, specie, and valuables of all kinds, and merchandise generally in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain, or elsewhere, and to receive money on deposit, and to collect revenue of all kinds.

(*t*) To sell the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures, or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the Court, where necessary. To amalgamate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which this Company is authorized to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company.

(*u*) To make, accept, endorse and execute, promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments. To lend money, and in particular to persons having dealing with the Company. To raise money in such manner as the Company shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future) including its uncalled capital or any specified portion thereof. To guarantee the performance of contracts by members of, or persons having dealings with the Company.

(*v*) To acquire patent rights and privileges in the United Kingdom or any other country or colony or state for any purposes deemed to be useful for the Company, and to resell the same or turn the same to account by manufacturing thereunder, granting licenses or otherwise.

(*w*) To lend money to any company, partnership, person, or association upon security of their or his undertaking, property, estate, assets, and effects, or any part thereof, upon such terms as may be deemed expedient, and to take such security either in the shape of mortgages, mortgage debentures, or in any other form, or to lend money in Canada or Great Britain or elsewhere with or without security. To make donations to such persons and in such cases as may seem expedient, and to subscribe for any purposes, whether charitable or benevolent, or for any public, general, or useful object.

(*x*) To pay the costs, charges, and expenses of, or in connection with the formation and incorporation of the Company, and to remunerate any person or persons for services rendered or to be rendered to the Company, either in cash or in shares of the Company, either wholly or partly paid up.

(*y*) To establish and maintain agencies of this Company in any colony or foreign state, and to procure the Company to be registered or incorporated in any colony or foreign state.

(*z*) To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, either alone or in partnership or in conjunction with any person or other association, and either as principals or agents, and including a power to pay brokerage or commission for services rendered in obtaining or guaranteeing or underwriting capital for the Company or otherwise.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this eleventh day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
de11 Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

No. 11-'97.

Certificate of the Registration of an Extra-Provincial Company.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

"Star Exploring and Mining Company."

Registered the 13th day of December, 1897.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day registered the "Star Exploring and Mining Company" as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897."

The head office of the Company is situated in the City of Terre Haute, State of Indiana, U.S.A.

The amount of the capital of the Company is $50,000, divided into shares of the par value of $1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate in Victoria, and E. E. Wootton, Barrister and Solicitor, whose address is the same, is the attorney for the Company.

The time of the existence of the Company is fifty years.

The objects for which the Company has been established and registered are: Mining, leasing, buying or selling mineral lands or mining properties, buying or selling mineral ores or mining materials, and the working and operating of mines and the reducing or smelting of ores, and the doing of all that may be necessary to carry on a mining business.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this thirteenth day of December 1897.

[L.S.] S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

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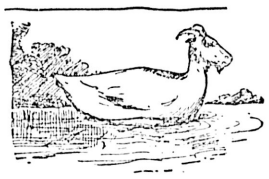

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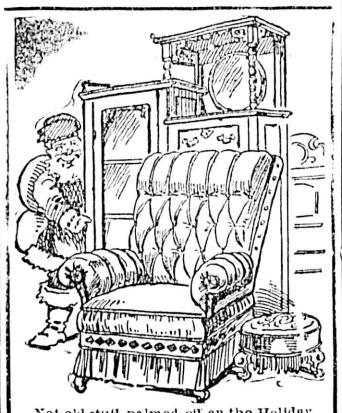

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Suffering Agony Day and Night.

"For nearly two years," says Frank J Wray, 211 Sherbourne St., Toronto, "I suffered greatly with lameness and pain in my back. It often happened that my back and kidneys pained me so badly that I was

doubled up and could hardly walk, except in a stooping position. Very often I was unable to work, suffering agony both day and night. I had severe pain in the lower part of my stomach, and other symptoms which proved conclusively that my kidneys were in a very unhealthy condition. My appetite was lost and my strength declined rapidly.

"I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills in March last, and after using three boxes of them was completely restored to health. I have not had the slightest pain or stiffness in any part of my back, or any indication of my former trouble, since using these wonderful pills.

"With the restoration of my kidneys to a healthy condition, my appetite was restored, and my strength returned, so that I am now strong and hearty. I make this statement of my cure by Doan's Kidney Pills with the greatest pleasure, because when I commenced taking them I did not really expect so remarkable a cure as that which followed their use. I am very thankful that I hit upon this remedy, and gladly recommend it to all sufferers." 287

One Laxa-Liver Pill every Night for Thirty Days Cures Constipation.

BANK DIRECTORS EXONERATED.

Union Bank Charges Withdrawn Because of Verdict in Commercial Cases.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 28.—When the case against the directors of the defunct Union Bank of Newfoundland, charged with conspiracy to defraud was called to-day before Justice Sir David Chalmers, the crown prosecutor withdrew the indictment because the jury had already acquitted the directors of the Commercial Bank, who were arraigned on the same charge.

AGAINST DURRANT.

California Supreme Court Unanimously Against His Counsel's Contention.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The supreme court after having heard the matter argued in chambers to-day, denied the application of the attorneys for W. H. T. Durrant, the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont, for a writ of probable cause. It was contended by Durrant's counsel that Judge Bahr erred in having fixed the date for the execution of their client within less than sixty days after the date upon which he was re-committed to the custody of the wardens of San Quentin prison. The supreme court, however, after hearing the points relied upon for reversal, denied the petition unanimously.

DYEA TOWNSITE.

Claim of Healy and Wilson Thrown Out by United States Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—A decision of much importance has been made by Commissioner Herman, of the general land office, affecting the town of Dyea, Alaska. The townsite is claimed by Healy and Wilson under the general law allowing 160 acres in Alaska for manufacturing and trading purposes. These parties claim to have made their location long prior to any adverse rights. The commissioner rejected the application for a patent on a number of grounds, and says that the survey of the claim was not regularly made. He says that a new survey is therefore necessitated, and that the case will come up on its merits.

Cuban Autonomy.

HAVANA, Dec. 28.—To-morrow the official Gazette will publish a decree establishing an autonomous government and administration for the island of Cuba, from January 1.

Great Fire in Norfolk.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Fire broke out last evening in the dry goods store of Jermyn & Perry, High street, Kings Lynn, Norfolk. The local fire engine collapsed and the flames spread rapidly, soon destroying a number of the adjoining business houses. The total damage is estimated at £100,000.

Hudson Straits.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—(Special)—Commander Wakeham returned from New Bedford to-day. He saw many old captains of the whaling fleet and obtained their declarations as to the period of unobstructed navigation of Hudson straits.

Seems as if consumption always picks out the brightest and best. Fully one-sixth of all the deaths that occur in the world are caused by consumption. Many things were once considered impossible. It would be strange if medical science did not make some progress. The telegraph and telephone, the phonograph, the electric light—all were once impossible, and once it was impossible to cure consumption. That was before the time of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Taken according to directions, this standard remedy will cure 98 per cent, of all cases of consumption. Consumption is caused and fostered by impurity in the blood. It is cured by purity and richness in the blood—surely, certainly cured by the "Medical Discovery." It builds up solid healthy flesh and vigorous strength.

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THE MINERS' STRIKE.

The Employers Apparently Have a "Cinch" on the Gold Diggers of Klondyke.

Ten Dollars a Day at the Present Prices of Provisions a Bagatelle.

A Settlement of the Regulations Difficulty Looked For Prior to the Clean-Up.

How the miners' strike will end, is a question upon which as great a diversity of opinion appears to be prevail at Dawson as upon the prospect of provisions running out before the spring receipts reach the supply stores. Mr. Richard Shaw and the other Victorians who have just arrived with him from the North, having left Dawson on November 16, were not sufficiently affected personally to go into the issue thoroughly, but from the surface view they had of the situation, they gather that the mine owners have the cinch on the working miners, and are likely to remain masters.

The reduction of general mining wages from $15 a day to $10 has been in contemplation for several months, during which time the claim owners have perfected their organization—which the miners sadly lack. They then announced on the 27th of October that from that date $1 per hour or $10 per day would be the standard wage—the miners could take it or not as they pleased.

"With provisions quoted at from $1.25 to $2 per pound, the miners do not regard $10 a day as living wages; and of course, says Mr. Shaw, they have held many meetings and entered many vigorous protests, although the outlook for a settlement is the reverse of favorable. A third mass meeting of working miners to consider the position, was convened for the evening of November 16—on which date Mr. Shaw and his companions left for Victoria. Although he is thus unable to speak of the outcome, Mr. Shaw anticipates that it will prove as futile in results as previous similar gatherings.

The mine owners are welded together and confident, especially as the fear of hunger is ever before the miners, and they have only two alternatives—of working for the wages offered them and thereby earning enough to remain in the country, or of facing the terrors of a trip to the coast on short provisions. A large number of miners, says Mr. Shaw, sealed themselves to stand or fall by the outcome of the meeting of the 16th of November, returning to work on the understanding that if that meeting accepted $10 as the standard wage they will offer no further objections; but if the meeting says $15 they will receive the higher figure.

The great weakness of the workmen is their utter lack of organization, and thus, although more than 3,000 strong at the most conservative calculation, they have nothing like the power of the few united claim-owners.

With regard to the new mining regulations as they affect the Klondyke country, Mr. Shaw inclines to the opinion that work on the northern creeks will not be materially retarded at present through the enforcement of the law, although to all the miners these regulations are most objectionable. The general clean-up is not until June, and there is a strong feeling in the district that before then the government, in response to the representations being made, will take some steps in the direction of the much desired modifications.

On the way out to the Coast Mr. Shaw's party made a flying trip, passing no fewer than fifty-five people en route and also coming Coastward. They learned en route that the barge-load of mutton sent in by Miller, of Juneau, had been caught in the ice, and there appropriated by the wolves of the wilderness.

NEWS OF THE ABSENT ONES.

Bassett Will Carry Light to Klondyke—Letters From Victorians in Dawson.

George Bassett, one of the Victorians just down from Dawson City, will soon be on his way back to the Yukon. The lack of oil and candles for mining purposes at Dawson decided him to make an attempt to get a supply into the Yukon. He, therefore, with his companions sold out their supplies for $1.25 a pound and travelled to the coast light. By the next steamer, if he can make his preparations by then, he will return North with a supply of nut oil and wicks for miners lamps, and also will take with him a stock of candles. Horses will be used for packing to the summit of the White Pass, and from there with a dog train Bassett will push on as rapidly as possible to Dawson. The oil for convenience in packing will be put up in rubber bags.

A private letter to Thomas Hodges states that Thomas Tugwell and J. Delahanty, who left Victoria last August, are in good luck without going as far as Dawson City. Tugwell and his partner, after crossing over the White pass, made their way to Lake Lebarge and as the police saying goes, "on information received," determined to prospect before trying for Klondyke. The result is that they have struck some very promising prospects, and now Tugwell is staying by the claims and preparing to work them.

AFFAIRS OF ROSSLAND.

British American Corporation Lays out Three Million—The Year's Shipments of All Mines.

ROSSLAND, Dec. 28—(Special)—Mayor Scott has announced his intention of seeking re-election. H. S. Wallace is already in the field and has the support of the leading business men of the town.

The ore shipments for the past week totalled 2,702 tons. The shipments of ore for the week ending December 25, were: Le Roi 1,275; Iron Mask 15; War Eagle 45; Centre Star 45; total 1380. The total amount of ore shipped from January 1, to Dec. 25, 1897, is 72,276 tons.

The British American Corporation has purchased the Great Western. The same company has completed its deal for the Josie, paying $3,000,000. Another $300,000 deal will be closed by the same company within the next two weeks. The negotiations relate to a very well known Rossland mine.

The Curlew has been sold for $30,000.

Richard Plewman, the liquidator of the O.K. company, has taken possession of the O.K. mine and mill.

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Nature's medicine for constipation, liver complaint, sick headache, biliousness, jaundice and sallow complexion is Laxa-Liver Bills. They are a perfect laxative, never griping or causing pain. One pill each night for thirty days will cure constipation.

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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, Dec. 28, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	50	Mean 49·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	49·		
9 a.m..	49·	Highest 50·	5 a.m.—20 S.W.
1 p.m..	49·		1 p.m.—24 S.W.
5 p.m..	48·	Lowest 46·	9 p.m.—4 N.
9 p.m..	46·		Cloudy. Sun—1.20. Rain—.32.

Barometer 9 a.m... Observed ..... 30.126 Reduced 30.092

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VANCOUVER LADIES WIN.

Yesterday's Hockey Match in the Terminal City Results in Discomfiture for the Visitors.

The incomplete team representing Victoria's ladies' hockey club, and under the captaincy of Miss E. M. Worlock, had their opportunity yesterday of measuring their strength against that of the Vancouver ladies, and, under the circumstances, found it insufficient. The Victoria combination which went over to Vancouver yesterday was, in the first place, short three of an entire team. The vacancies were filled through the courtesy of the Vancouver captain, Miss Sully, but the absentees told severely against the chances of the visiting team. After an interesting match in the rain, Vancouver won by 5 to 1, and this evening the ladies of the Terminal City club celebrate with a ball at the Hotel Vancouver.

THAT OAK BAY RESCUE.

TO THE EDITOR:—Permit me, as one of those who witnessed Harry Morton's heroic rescue of the Indians Tom and Old Waum on Christmas Day, to confirm all that the COLONIST said in its issue of Monday morning regarding the courageous action. As for Messrs. Atkinson or Camsusa, who in the Times endeavor to depreciate his heroism, I may say that they stood by me on the shore, and declined to take the risk even of wetting their feet until I had repeatedly taunted them with their cowardice, when the younger actualiy did attempt to lend a hand in landing the rescued men. That was after Morton had done the work, and unaided brought the Indians to shore. Mr. Atkinson did as much as I to save them, and no more. He stood securely on the shore.

MRS. W. J. BOWKER, JR.

JOHN MAGUIRE, the veteran theatrical manager, of Montana, who is at present paying Victoria a visit, will this season have the entire control of Daniel Bandmann, tragedian. It is his intention to bring this veteran actor to Victoria toward the end of next month in an elaborate production of "The Corsican Brothers." Having been the pioneer theatrical man of two gold rushes—in California and in Australia—it is quite natural that John Maguire should also have an eye upon Klondyke at the present time. He has, indeed, organized a company, which is having a first-class corrugated iron theatre, bar and grill room built at Pittsburg, to be taken to Dawson City in sections, ready to be put together immediately. A start will be made from Victoria in April, and a company of sixteen capable actors and musicians will accompany the playhouse, ready to take possession whenever it is anchored.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer.....from Vancouver.
" Fingal..... " "
" City of Kingston " Port Townsend.
" Sea Lion ..... " "
" Princess Louise.. " N.Westminster.
" Evangel ..... " Port Angeles.
" Constance..... " San Juan.

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Str. Charmer..... for Vancouver.
" City of Kingston. " Port Townsend.
" Sea Lion ..... " "
" Princess Louise.. " N.Westminster.
" Evangel..... " Port Angeles.
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CIVIC ELECTIONS.

The Majority of the Present City Council Will Seek Re-Election.

Now that the civic elections are not far away it is time for the ratepayers to bestir themselves and ask who is going to attend to the city's affairs, as mayor and council, during the coming year. It appears as if, with one or two exceptions, all the present council will again make their annual bow to the ratepayers and ask for a continuance of the confidence which was reposed in them a year ago. In fact, the only man who has given a direct decision not to stand is Ald. McGregor, who says that during the new year he expects his business will take him away from the city for periods too long to allow of his acting as an alderman.

Ald. McCandless, of the North ward, does not wish to come forward again, as he feels that the increase in business, due to the Klondyke rush will render it difficult for him to attend to his own affairs and the city's too in the way he would like. Ald. Partridge, in the Centre ward, has not been able to make up his mind whether he will or will not stand. Consequently the list is at present as follows:

For Mayor—Chas. E. Redfern, the present Mayor, and Joseph W. Carey.

North Ward—Ald. Kinsman and perhaps Ald. McCandless.

Centre Ward—Ald. Stewart, Vigelius and maybe Ald. Partridge.

South Ward—Ald. Wilson and Ald. Hall.

With the exceptions of Ald. McCandless and Partridge the aldermen replied in the affirmative when asked if they had decided to be candidates again this year. As there are three aldermen for each ward, it is apparent that there will be at least two vacancies to fill, and no doubt before long the usual crop of candidates will be in the field.

There seems to be some likelihood of Dr. G. L. Milne being a third candidate for the mayoralty. Asked yesterday as to the truth of the report that he would be in the field, Dr. Milne admitted that he had been urged to run by a number of his friends. As to what he would do, Dr. Milne seemed undecided, being personally disinclined to aspire to the mayor's chair, but uncertain whether he would not be obliged to yield to the wishes of his friends.

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PASSENGERS.

Per steamer CHARMER from Vancouver—J A Fullerton, R Jamieson, Senator James Reid, H Yondell, R S Byrn, S Blackson, Miss Feldman, Mrs Feldman, Dr Carroll and wife, Mrs Carmichael, C M Walker, W F Gore, C N Davidson, N McLean, A Charleson, E Grafton, R P McLennan, W J Nott, D E Refure, C McRail and wife, J H Kerr, Mr John Barron, J Linguest, Miss Glover, H H Welch and wife, S Asberry, Mrs McCannell, F S Maclure, D C Stephens, John Hendry, E W Pratt, Mrs W D McIntosh, W C Fraser, Oliver Rendell, E G Higginson, T Draney, R C Wilson and wife, Geo Ashton, John Merz, M Raby, George Burn, L W Henry, J Caldicott.

Per steamer KINGSTON from the Sound—W A Springer, A B Knolton, Jos B Conway, Fred Kruber, J H Hamilton, Mrs Taylor, G E Voington, A R McDonald, H E Levy, H Ulin, Mrs Balchini, Geo Brown, J Block, A McCornell, E Cummings, L Savoe, J Bull, W Russell, C Anderson, A Johnson, V Hochiyama, A Locke, D Sunse, Miss Turner, C Forthein, H Wilson.

CONSIGNEES.

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